

CHANGES IN POLICE DEPARTMENT

GREAT STRIKE IS ORDERED BY RUSSIAN WORKMEN

BRITISH HOLDING THE FORT

Will Not Give in to Chinese Demands at Shanghai.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The State Department has received a cablegram from Shanghai announcing the arrival there last evening of the men from the cruiser Baltimore.

BRITISH ON HAND.

The State Department advises of this morning are to the effect that the British were preparing for a large demonstration by both army and navy. German, Japanese and Austrian cruisers were on their way to Shanghai. Quiet prevailed yesterday evening, but only because of the armed force controlling the city. The mixed court was still closed.

BRITISH ASSESSOR.

The Chinese authorities were trying to effect a compromise, but demanded a removal of the British assessor, which demand was refused. There was no report of trouble at the outposts, but the missionaries were becoming alarmed and many were arriving in Shanghai.

QUEER COURT.

As understood here the trouble arose from the action of the British assessor levying a tax upon a Chinese resident of the foreign settlement. The court is a curious body, made up of a Chinese magistrate, who holds sittings every week day.

On two days of each week an American official from the consulate general sits with it in the capacity of assessor, on two other days a similar German official sits, and on the remaining two week days a British representative. This court had jurisdiction over all licenses and taxes payable by the Chinese in the foreign settlement of Shanghai.

CHINESE JEALOUS.

The Chinese jealous authorities have always been jealous of this court and there have been many clashes in the past owing to the efforts of the Chinese to collect these taxes themselves. The court also possesses the power to punish culprits, and further causes the cat-o'-nine-tails to be laid on, while the Chinese whip culprits with bamboos.

For a long time, past the Chinese have been trying to reduce the authority of the mixed court, and it is inferred here that the present trouble has arisen from the assertion of jurisdiction by the British over some of the Chinese merchants.

WILSON IS MADE CHIEF OF POLICE



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Detective Frank Lynch is Named Captain After a Lively Contest.

Chief of Police St. Clair Hodgkins, as told in THE TRIBUNE of last night, handed in his resignation to the Board of Police and Fire Commissioners this morning. His successor, Captain of Police Wilson, both the resignation and the appointment will take effect on January 2.

LYNCH APPOINTED.

Detective Frank Lynch was appointed as an acting Captain of Police and will probably draw down the plum eventually. The other two candidates for the position of captain were Detective George Kyte and Patrolman McSorley.

There was a stormy session in the

Mayor's chambers before the program was agreed upon. Both McSorley and Kyte had one vote each, but could not get the two.

HODGKINS A DETECTIVE.

Chief Hodgkins will resume his former position as a detective on the force. At the present time there will be no other disturbances of the local police conditions. When Captain Wilson retires as the Chief of Police in about a year, there will be a vigorous campaign for his position, and at that time the Commissioners will attempt to carry out the promises which were made at this time, but which were of necessity unfulfilled.

NEW OFFICERS.

Besides the promotion of Captain Wilson and Detective Lynch, the Commissioners named six new men who will become regular policemen on January 1.

The names of the successful candidates are Milton Emigh, James J. Fenton, E. W. Brock, John S. Duffon, Edmon Duffon, George D. Power.

George Underwood was made an acting regular police officer, vice James Drew temporarily retired.

The retiring chief has been a member of the department for the last twenty years and has served as chief of police for the last six years, which is a longer period than any of his predecessors. He was appointed by the City Council on December 7, 1885.

The work that brought Hodgkins into prominence as a police officer was the destruction of the famous Fish gang which, for years, overran West Oakland; and was a terror to the police. Hodgkins fought the gang singly, and in the aggregate, and finally

READY FOR BIG CONTEST

Czar's Workmen to Measure Strength With Master.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20, 1:20 p. m.—The proclamation of a general strike for tomorrow at noon has created the most intense excitement.

If it can be successfully begun and maintained the revolutionaries are confident that it will break the government's back. In government circles, however, confidence is expressed that the proletarian organizations cannot effect a complete tie-up, and that the strike must be of short duration. This hope seems based on the theory that the extreme program of the Reds has alienated the sympathy of a large proportion of the real workmen, and also upon what they claim to be absolute knowledge that the organizations are without funds.

AMBITIOUS PLANS.

The government's calculations have proved at variance with the true situation in the past, and the strike leaders declare that the government is again hopelessly ignorant of the magnitude of the struggle confronting it. Their plans are exceedingly ambitious. From the nature of the appeals of the leaders to the troops it is evident that they expect to precipitate a crisis in the army.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

The central committee of the railway men at Moscow, which determined the issue last night by voting in favor of a strike, has telegraphed over the railroad lines that the employees of twenty-two roads are ready to stop all traffic. The decision is to close everything in the empire, railroads, manufacturing, wholesale and retail stores and all government works except the water works. The bakeries in the cities, however, will not be closed so long as they do not raise their prices. If they raise the price of bread, even the bakeries will be closed. It was pro-

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LUTHER FILLMORE IN GRAVE

SIMPLE SERVICES HELD AT THE HOME THIS AFTER-NOON.

The last sad rites over the remains of Luther Fillmore, the well-known railroad man, who for twelve years was superintendent of the narrow gauge railroad between this city and Santa Cruz, took place this afternoon from the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Adams, of 123 Eighth street.

In compliance with the wishes of the deceased, expressed shortly before his death, the funeral arrangements were of a very quiet and simple nature, as it was his last wish that his funeral might be as quiet and simple as the life that he had lived for seventy-nine years.

Mrs. M. C. Brown, a daughter of the deceased, arrived from Seattle this morning in time to attend the funeral. A large number of pioneers and friends of the deceased from all walks of life attended the simple services at the house where they had gone to pay their respects and to obtain one last look of their loving friend and comrade.

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YOUNG SCHNEIDER IS CONVICTED



JOHN SCHNEIDER, WHO WAS FOUND GUILTY.

Convicted of Murder in the Second Degree and Recommended for Mercy.

John Schneider was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury this morning and recommended to the mercy of the court, for complicity in the murder of Thomas Cook at Fruitvale on the night of July 22 last. The jury was out just three quarters of an hour and only took sufficient time to find out that they were practically unanimous when they left the jury box.

It was just 10:15 o'clock when Judge Ellsworth finished reading his charge to the jury and at 11 o'clock they were again in the court room, and the verdict was announced.

ASKS FOR SENTENCE.

As soon as the verdict was rendered Judge Ellsworth asked the attorneys when they wished sentence to be pronounced, and Attorney Austin Lewis, for the defendant, said, "Your Honor, we would like to have sentence passed at as early a date as will be convenient. If possible, we would like to have sentence passed next Friday morning."

This was agreeable to both District Attorney Allen and Judge Ellsworth, and Friday morning, at 10 o'clock, was the time set for the passing of sentence.

Schneider is the third of the three youths to be tried for the murder of Cook. George Blaker, the first to be tried, was found guilty of murder in the second degree, and was sentenced to life imprisonment at San Quentin by Judge Melvin, he being given the maximum sentence. Percy Pembroke was the next to be tried, and the jury

in his case disagreed, eleven being for acquittal, while one man stood out and caused a mistrial. His case is to be tried over again, and is set for January 23.

THE CRIME.

The crime for which the youths have been placed on trial for their lives was the attacking of Thomas Cook, while on his way home at night from his store on Fruitvale avenue, and beating him into insensibility with bludgeons and robbing him of about \$200 that he had in his pocket. Cook managed to stagger to his home where he fell in the doorway and never regained consciousness. The blows with the bludgeons, which were made of pieces of iron pipe, fractured his skull, and practically lifted the crown of the head. He lived several days at the Alameda Sanatorium, where he was taken and then succumbed to his injuries.

TWO BLUDGEONS.

There were but two bludgeons found near the scene of the crime, and from confessions obtained from both Schneider and Pembroke, there were but two used and it was upon this fact that Schneider's attorney based his hopes for a light sentence for his client.

Schneider's testimony was that when the first blow was struck he ran away. He said that Pembroke and Blaker had the bludgeons and that he was not a willing participant in the plan but went with the others until they attacked their victim.

HUMMEL GOES TO PRISON

New York Attorney is Given a Year in Stripes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Hummel is convicted.

Immediately after sentence Hummel was taken to the Tombs, preparatory to being taken to the penitentiary.

District Attorney Jerome appeared in court and moved that sentence be passed at once. He said that Hummel has been a menace to the public for twenty years.

Hummel was one of the most widely known of New York's lawyers. He had been connected with a number of celebrated cases. His partner, How, was one of the attorneys for the defense in the Goldsavage case. Hummel had a large practice in theatrical and divorce litigation.

He entered the law office in which he is now the senior partner many years ago as an office boy, and worked his way to the prominent place he has held for some time past in the city's legal circles.

The charge upon which he was convicted was conspiracy in the Dodge-Morse divorce litigation, in which he sought to show that Mrs. Morse's divorce from Dodge was invalid. The object of this was to upset her marriage to Morse, who is a very wealthy banker and owner of steamship companies.

Judge Rogers sentenced Hummel to one year's imprisonment in the penitentiary and \$500 fine. This is the maximum penalty.

MANY ACCIDENTS COME TO THIS MAN

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Colonel H. B. Maxson of Reno, Nev., secretary of the National Irrigation Congress, who is at the Hollenbeck Hotel, has been the victim of a remarkable series of accidents during the last three years. First he fell down a shaft in Nevada and broke both legs. He came to Los Angeles and was knocked across the street by a trolley car. He was in three railroad wrecks in three months, and became the victim of an automobile smash-up in Salt Lake City. Seven weeks ago he was trampled on by horses and nearly killed. He thinks another accident is about due, and is doubling his accident insurance policy.

PANICKY FEELING ON THE BOURSE

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20 (2:30 p. m.).—There was a very panicky feeling on the Bourse today and a great rush to sell everything. Imperial fours fell 2 points, closing at 16. There were rumors on the Bourse that Mr. Goussard, the Conservative leader, will succeed Count Witte as premier.

HUNGARIAN CABINET WOULD RESIGN

VIENNA, Dec. 20.—Premier Fejervary had an audience with Emperor Francis Joseph today and tendered the resignation of the entire Hungarian cabinet. It is understood that Baron Fejervary desires to obtain an expression of confidence from the Emperor, in which case his resignation probably will be withdrawn.

TO SAFEGUARD BRITISH SUBJECTS

BERLIN, Dec. 20.—The British ship Sapphire arrived at Swinemunde, Prussia, today, waiting for orders. She probably will proceed to a Russian harbor to safeguard British subjects.

CREDITORS' AUCTION SALE.

We have received instructions from the creditors of Charles H. Tencor of Marysville to sell the balance of the stock of jewelry, at our auction rooms, 1807 Clay street, near Eleventh, California, commencing Monday, December 18, at 2 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. each day for this week. The goods comprise in part: Fine cut glass, hand-painted china, watches, large assortment of gold rings, silverware of every description, fountain pens, umbrellas, Indian bead bags, chains and belts, vests, cardinals, etc. These goods are all high grade and are guaranteed.

BRITISH CONSUL WILL NOT YIELD

All is Quiet at Shanghai But Trouble May be Expected at Any Time.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 20.—All is quiet in the town today. Business has been resumed, but the volunteers and sailors landed by the warships in port remain on duty as a precaution against the renewal of the rioting. The United States gunboat Villa Lobos has arrived to reinforce the Baltimore and the British cruiser Andromeda is expected to reinforce the Diadem.

The deadlock growing out of the mixed court dispute continues. The Tao Tai adheres to his demand for the dismissal of the British Consul and police inspectors, while the British Consul refuses to yield. The foreign residents support the Consul's attitude.

Big Reductions in Women's Garments

Coats Suits Skirts Children's Coats and Jackets

and FURS—for women, misses and children—will be sold this week at greater reductions than ever. We simply must reduce our stock of these, as we have made prices on practically everything in stock that will provide EXTRAORDINARY ECONOMY FOR YOU. The variety is very large. Every fabric you'd care for is represented. We can fit you too, no matter what your size may be. Come and convince your-self.

Certificates for Gloves or Gifts

At any Counter in our Store. By purchasing a certificate for any amount you wish the gift problem is easily solved and many are taking advantage of this very commendable and satisfactory way of settling a perplexing question.

The good old spirit of Christmas tide sweeps through the store,—that golden inheritance handed down to us from the treasure safe of our forefathers is again to gladden our hearts. It is a time when we love to give—when we thrill with the thought to receive we love to see others happy and remember them, hearts grow big, big hearts grow bigger and joy swells our soul.

A MECCA FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS JUST FOUR MORE DAYS FOR GIFT CHOOSING

The glitter of the new stocks, the ever-changing Displays, the gay decorations, the animated crowds—all these are things to be seen at this store. The shopping here is easy, all is arranged for your convenience. Extra salespeople are numbered by the hundred. The merchandise is displayed, elevator service is specially watched, the store is comfortably heated, the help is trained, the wrapping system is reorganized,—the whole store has the atmosphere of cosmopolitan life. We have planted the seed for a big FOUR DAYS' SELLING, and now for the RESULTS—a few suggestions:

HANDKERCHIEF DEPARTMENT

Children's Handkerchiefs, 3 in box, 19c, 25c and 35c
Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 in box, 50c, 75c \$1.00, \$1.50
Ladies' Plain Handkerchiefs, each, 10c to 50c
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, each, 10c to \$3.50
Lace Handkerchiefs each, 10c, 25c, 35c, 50c, up to \$12.00

Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs, 6 in box, 50c 75c, \$1.50 to \$2.75
Gents' Plain Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, each 5c, 8 1-3c, 12 1-2c, 25c, 35c
Gents' Silk Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, each, 25c, 50c, 75c, to \$1.00
Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs, each, 25c and 50c

The Gent's Furnishings

Bath Robes from \$3.75 to \$5.50
Smoking Jackets from \$4.50 to \$10
Handsome Scarfs from 25c to 75c
Silk Ascot Ties, 50c to \$1.00
Silk Mufflers \$1.00 to \$2.50

BOOKS

A big line for boys, girls and adults also ABC books for baby 5c to \$1.25
Fancy Postal Card Albums, 100 styles to select from 25c to \$2.50

UMBRELLAS

A SUITABLE HOLIDAY PRESENT. Here are Umbrellas for men and women with plain and fancy handles, of gold, silver, mother-of-pearl or gumball. Special Holiday numbers are from \$1.00 to \$10, or more if you wish to give it.

Glove Department

Ladies' Kid Gloves 95c to \$3.25
Gents' Mocha, Dogskin Gloves \$1.00 to \$1.50
Children's Kid Gloves 35c to \$1.00

SANTA CLAUS

He will make his headquarters in our Bazaar. He will hold receptions from 11 to 12 o'clock in the forenoon and 2 to 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Every little boy or girl who comes to see him (accompanied by parents or guardian) will receive a nice Box of Candy. Bring the young ones to visit "Santa" in our Bazaar.

An \$8.50 Linerie Waist at \$4.95

54 of them. Each one worth \$8.50 to \$9.00. They are the very newest in Embroidery and style and an extraordinary value at 4.95

FANCY BLANKETS

WILL MAKE SUITABLE HOLIDAY GIFTS.

Wool 10-4 and 11-4 Blankets from \$5.00 to \$12.00
Fancy Sateen Covered Elderdawn Comforts from \$5.00 to 75c
Automobile Blankets from \$1.25, \$2.00 to \$5.00
Bathing Mats from 50c to \$1.25
Linen Damask Cloths \$1.50 to \$12.50
Napkins to match, in 5-8 and 8-4 size from \$1.75 to \$3.50
Special Fancy Holiday Towels from a dozen \$3.00 to \$9.00
Quilts, in domestic and foreign manufacture, from 75c to \$6.00

SPECULATIVE SPIRIT IN THE MARKET

Excitement in Copper and Other Industrials—Railroad Situation Satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Our stock market has shown a fresh outburst of feverish activity. The speculative spirit is rising irresistibly, and this in spite of restraints imposed by conservative banking interests and without any regard to conditions in the money market. The reason for all this is of course unbounded confidence in the general situation and belief that the monetary situation will improve after the middle of January, if not earlier. The extraordinary outburst in the copper stocks and their rapid advance due chiefly to the unexpected demand and the very high price for copper, have greatly stimulated speculative operations in other directions. It has also attracted particular attention to the industrials "many of which are enjoying a period of prosperity beyond all expectations. The activity in the steel and all kindred industries continues unabated; the knowledge that these corporations are making unusual profits being the basis of much of the present speculation, to say nothing of the effect of various merger deals which are in process of negotiation. Better class railroad issues have been comparatively neglected, but these, too, are now receiving increased attention from the new class of operators who are evidently coming into the market.

EXCITEMENT IN COPPER. The excitement in copper and other in-

dustrials is undoubtedly acting as a very powerful stimulant to general speculation and there are signs of the public coming into the market more freely than at any time for months past. Almost every stock of consequence now has one or more pools devoting themselves entirely to the upward manipulation of their particular stocks. In consequence an active market is probable for some time to come, and this in spite of the adverse circumstances which at the close of the year usually tend to restrict operations. The upward tide at present seems almost irresistible and there are large numbers who think it better to go with the tide than to oppose it. Experienced operators, however, cannot shut their eyes to the increasing risks of the speculative situation. Stocks are steadily passing from strong into weaker hands and insiders are likely to increase their sales in proportion as the market advances. There is more or less pyramiding of accounts and the reinvestment of paper profits than usual.

ELEMENTS OF DANGER. These are elements of danger especially in the absence of any short interest of importance. The market is also honeycombed with stop orders in stocks which have made extraordinary advances. Of course if nothing happens, if we have no squeeze in money, if there should be no trouble in Europe arising from the depreciation of Russian bonds or if no

other unfavorable contingency arises, the bullish enthusiasm will have things largely their own way. Nevertheless the market is exposed to sudden and severe setbacks, which would quickly wipe out slender margins. The greatest immediate dangers are temporary stringency in the money market, incidental to heavy January disbursements, and the risk of collapse in Russian credit. The latter is more serious than generally realized. The Russian empire seems threatened with some form of disintegration the effect of which might be disastrous to her national credit. Russia's gold supply has been nearly exhausted by the war, and is now being further drawn upon to meet interest obligations which Russia has always hitherto faithfully satisfied. Conditions in Russia, however, are so chaotic that it is impossible to yet form any opinion as to the outcome, and a close watch should be kept on the market price of Russian bonds which have hitherto had strong support and showed remarkable resiliency powers.

RAILROAD SITUATION. Our railroad situation continues highly satisfactory. Earnings for forty-one roads for the month of November show an increase of over eight per cent for that month over the large returns of a year ago. Many of the roads are still seriously overtaxed with traffic and there is no question but that much of the new building proposed up to date is absolutely necessary in order to keep pace with the growth of trade and population in the West. Unless something happens to interfere with the present progressive movements, we are likely to see considerable new mileage constructed in the West during the next two years. Nothing has occurred thus far at Washington to create very serious apprehension regarding railroad legislation. A number of bills have been introduced the purpose of which are so conflicting that a long and possibly fruitless discussion seems in prospect.

BUSINESS ACTIVITY. Some idea of the activity of business can be had by the fact that for the eleven months ending November 30 the clearings of the United States aggregated almost 130 billions or 50 per cent ahead of the same time last year. This is an extraordinary increase and is well distributed over the entire country, although the gain is heaviest both in volume and percentage in the city of New York, where the speculative operations for the whole country are concentrated. Such activity of course explains in part the stringency in money. High interest rates are certainly more the result of business activity than speculation. The latter is merely a sequence and not a cause. The money surplus in the last two years has been increased by over \$218,000,000 and in spite of this fact call loans have been averaging as high as eight and ten per cent. No better argument could be found for the need of an elastic currency system than the present stringency in the money market, which might easily be severe enough to interfere with the continuance of prosperity. Sudden reactions in the market may be expected especially as the disbursement to realize is growing, and those who have good profits are displaying too much willingness to give the newcomers whatever chances may remain.

BILLS PRESENTED BY PERKINS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Among the bills introduced in the Senate yesterday by Senator Perkins were the following: Providing for the maintenance and operation of snagboats in the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers, fog signal at the entrance to the harbor at Humboldt Bay lighthouse near Santa Barbara landing, lighthouse and fog signal at Red Rock, San Francisco Bay, and another near Point Cabrillo, a revenue cutter for San Francisco harbor, a life-saving station at Half-moon Bay, and for improvements at the Presidio of San Francisco. Perkins introduced also a joint resolution, accepting the recession by California of the Yosemite Valley grant and the Mariposa Big Tree Grove.

TOGO PRESIDENT OF NAVAL COMMAND

TOKIO, Dec. 6.—The combined fleet of Japan has been dissolved, and Admiral Togo has been appointed president of the naval command.

The Manchurian army headquarters has also been dissolved, and Field Marshal Oyama will resume his former position as president of the general staff.

PARIS GENERAL DEAD.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—General Saurat, former commander-in-chief of the French army, died today.

CLASS OF '06 AT BUILD PIER TO ST. MARY'S DEEP WATER

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT IS GIVEN TO FRIENDS OF COLLEGE.

The class of '06 of St. Mary's College, entertained several hundred friends last evening at a Christmas entertainment given in the college auditorium. The program was an excellent one and special praise was heard on all sides for the college orchestra led by Brother Agnon and composed of college students. The program was as follows: Overture, Old Virginia Days (Hall); College Orchestra, A Word, Michael F. Perry, Quartet, His Sweet Giltar (Parks); George W. Poutney, Victor St. Sure; Stephen J. Field, Harold B. Ruebelmann; Essay Christmas, Augusta, a John F. Brady; Bass Solo, The Mountaineer (Phillips); H. B. Ruebelmann, A Lecture; George J. Haley, Quartet Song of the Anril (Petrie); Illustrated Reading Christmas With Irving and Dickens, Albert T. Shine, Solo Good Bye, Sweet Marie (Mills); George W. Poutney, Monologue The Unknown Member Leo J. McCarthy; Selection, The Wedding of the Winds (Hall); Orchestra. The second half of the program was a play, Pizarro, a tale of the Spanish Conquest of Peru. Act IV was given with two scenes well staged. Scene I, Alonzo in Prison, and scene II, Chamber of Pizarro.

The cast of characters was as follows: Pizarro, Spanish Conqueror, William B. McStay; Peru Peruvian Chief, Walter B. Hinkle; Alonzo Peruvian General, John J. Rooney; Elvin Friend of Pizarro, Edward A. O'Dea; Captain of the Guard, Harold Ruebelmann; Augusta, a messenger, Francis S. Smith; guards, Albert T. Shine; George J. Haley, Finale, Our Festive Greetings (Fulton), Orchestra.

The invitation committee included Leo McCarthy, Michael Perry, John Brady, Joseph Du Fosse, Walter Hinkle, George Haley and John Rooney.

INSANE FATHER INJURED BY SON

PETALUMA, Dec. 20.—D. R. Church, who resides about ten miles from this city, was dangerously, if not fatally, injured by his 13-year-old son last Sunday evening. Church, who is afflicted with spells of temporary insanity, was attacked with one of these spells Sunday evening and began to beat and choke his wife. The son, Claude Church, who had retired and was asleep, heard his mother's cries for help, and rushed to her assistance. As he entered the apartment, the father turned upon the son to administer a beating to him. Claude Church grabbed a pick-handle and belabored the father over the head, probably fracturing his skull, beating his scalp into a jelly, breaking his arm and breaking three ribs. The father is in a critical condition for mite beating given him by the son and may not recover. Many stitches were required to replace the fractured scalp, and a portion of the flesh was beaten into a jelly. The Church family is quite prominent in Petaluma and Sebastopol. A few months ago a sister of Church committed suicide near here by setting fire to a barn and cremating herself. Relatives of the family have tried to suppress the story of the battery committed by the son on the father. They afraid not to speak out until today, although the assault occurred Sunday evening. Church, during previous spells of insanity, has beaten his wife and other members of the family. The wife is a delicate little woman, and the interference of the son is probably all that saved her life.

INJURED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT

An unmanageable auto ran into the curb and upset at Twenty-second street and Broadway last night at 10:30 o'clock, throwing out Mrs. E. E. Hanson of Yolo county and her escort, J. Jorgenson of Alameda. Both were severely but not seriously hurt. They were picked up and taken to Jorgenson's home, at the corner of Sherman and Ninth streets, Alameda.

Mr. Charles F. Murphy has modestly refrained from taking credit to himself for the election of Mr. Jorgenson, and yet he is undoubtedly entitled to it.

WESTERN PACIFIC TO GIVE BATTLE TO THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The Chronicle today says: According to a story which officials of the Western Pacific decline either to confirm or deny, the Western Pacific has for some time been quietly planning to spring a coup de grace on its big rival, the Southern Pacific. People familiar with the plans of the Gould road have been wondering for some time past if the company proposed to content itself with its present terminal facilities at West Oakland, and to inaugurate a ferry service between this city and its terminal on the Oakland estuary. According to a story now in circulation, and which is said to emanate from official sources the company has no such intentions. It proposes to land passengers in San Francisco quite as expeditiously and with as little inconvenience as the ingenuity of its engineers and the large resources of the company will permit, and to this end it is boldly planning to build its tracks across the Southern Pacific's West Oakland yards and thence out into the bay to deep water by means

of a trestle or mole midway between the present moles of the Southern Pacific. The work now being done by the Western Pacific contractors at West Oakland lends color to the story. It is said that the company's terminal property on the estuary is being filled in and improved in a manner that suggests its future use as a freight terminal only. The proposed mole of the Western Pacific, it is said, will parallel the north training wall of the approach to the Oakland estuary, and dredging operations are now being conducted along the training wall for the purpose of throwing up an embankment for the Western Pacific tracks. The proposed ferry depot and pier, it is declared, will be located in the neighborhood of the light-house now maintained by the Government opposite the end of the north training wall.

A suit in condemnation to give the Western Pacific a right of way for its tracks across the property of the Southern Pacific at West Oakland will, it is understood, be brought in the Alameda county courts very shortly.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

METROPOLE—A. Rosenthal, New York; Mrs. Edmund Dickey, Miss Katherine Dickey, Mr. and Mrs. Schneider, Oakland; Charles Isaacs, New York; Arthur W. MacKinnon, Fresno; R. H. Jones, San Francisco; CRELLIN—George M. Clois, W. Phillips, San Francisco; W. C. Peck and wife, Seattle, Wash.; George E. Mante and wife, Ogden, Utah; Fred V. Wood, Oakland; Mrs. A. T. Nietz, Reno, Nev.; ALBANY—George C. Furnis and wife, Seattle; C. A. Dargie, San Jose; Mark Leman, Oakland; J. Hardican, San Francisco; H. Albert B. Witt, San Francisco; J. Hick, St. Louis;

F. Moore, San Francisco. GALINDO—Charles Sharpless, San Francisco; L. F. Levin, San Leandro; Mr. S. Jackson, Vallejo; George N. Clary, Berkeley; W. A. Garver, San Jose; Fred Drew, Oakland; A. Tannehill, Fresno. ARLINGTON—M. J. Payne, Centerville; George Morgan and wife, Alameda; J. W. Johnson and wife, Kansas City, Mo.; C. H. Johnston, Los Angeles; J. Brett, New York; H. G. Chapel, Oakland; G. O. Richards and wife, San Francisco; A. L. Atkins and wife, Oakland; J. G. Cameron, Marysville; S. H. Horlock, Dallas, Tex.; E. A. Webber, Victoria, B. C.; John Williams, Deer Motine, Ia.; J. J. Jackson, Sacramento; M. S. Pires, Centerville; L. Mier, San Francisco; A. L. Williams, Los Angeles; L. S. Wheeler, San Jose; Miss Dennett, Nevada.

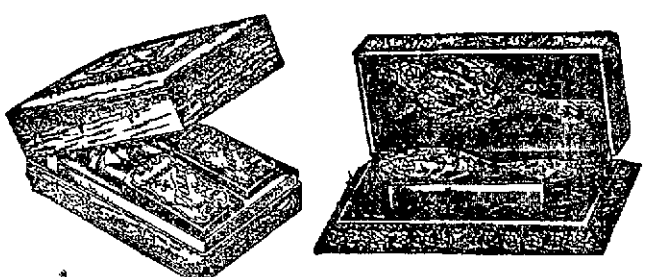
EMMONS MAY ASK FOR SENTENCE

BAKERSFIELD, Dec. 20.—Former Senator E. J. Emons went to Sacramento last night, but whether for the purpose of surrendering himself or preparing his bill of exceptions is in doubt. Emons says his purpose is to do the latter, but among his bondsmen there is an impression that he expects to ask to be taken into custody to acknowledge the hopelessness of fighting against his conviction and to ask that sentence be passed upon him.

QUANTITY OF COTTON GINNED. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Census Bureau today issued a bulletin showing the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1904 to December 15 to be 3,282,191 bales, counting round bales as half bales, as compared with 11,871,477 bales on the same date in 1904, and 3,594,244 bales the same date in 1905.

Monday, Dec. 25th Will Be Xmas

Only a few days more; and it will surprise you to see how easy it is to buy at our store. Everything is so nicely arranged and we have a very large and elegant stock to select from.



EASTMAN'S CONCENTRATED ORIENTAL PERFUMES. Put up in neat bottles and packed in fancy red baskets, which can be placed to good use when empty. . . . 75c
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The Child Labor Law.

State Labor Commissioner Stafford announces his determination to continue the enforcement of the child labor law enacted by the last Legislature until he is restrained by the adverse ruling of a higher tribunal than the Oakland police court. Mr. Stafford, it will be seen, takes issue with the recent decision of Police Judge Smith of this city declaring the law unconstitutional because, while it makes provision for the exemption of children whose labor is necessary to their parents, it makes no provision for the exemption of orphans, whose labor may be just as necessary to their families, but who have no parents to make the necessary claim. This, he says, is class legislation, and for this reason unconstitutional.

No one will quarrel with the State Labor Commissioner for seeking the more authoritative ruling of a higher court, for the purpose of the law is an admirable one with which humanity and public policy are alike in accord, but a fundamental defect of the law cannot be mended by attacking the motives of Judge Smith or criticising his application of constitutional principles in construing the statute. Judge Smith announced from the bench his ardent sympathy with the purpose of the law, but he could not conscientiously uphold in his judicial capacity a statute which, to his mind, seems fatally defective.

Judge Smith is so clearly right in his conception of the duty of a judge that a defense of him is hardly necessary. His interpretation of the law may be wrong—we sincerely hope it is—but so long as he is convinced that he is right he is hewing to the line of judicial duty; he is construing the law according to his lights and administering justice as his judgment and conscience dictate.

In discussing Judge Smith's decision, the Sacramento Union says "class legislation means caste legislation." Where does the Union obtain its authority for this dictum? We know of no Supreme Court declaration to that effect. If the Union knows of any it will illuminate the discussion by citing it. In many cases passed on by the court of last resort, the language used and the principles applied plainly negative the idea that the term "class legislation," as employed in the State Constitution, is synonymous with caste legislation. Caste legislation is obviously class legislation, but it does not follow that the obverse is true. There are many kinds of classification, in the legal sense, in which caste does not figure at all. The rule of law, as it is generally understood, is that the Constitution prohibits the enactment of a statute in a class by itself applying to a particular class of individuals or creating special exemptions of a discriminatory character. It is the discriminating provision of the child labor law that renders it unconstitutional in the opinion of Judge Smith.

However, the ruling of a court is not to be set aside or impeached on the ipse dixit of a newspaper which is apparently guided more by sentiment than knowledge of the law. Beyond question the point at issue should be authoritatively passed upon by the Supreme Court before the Legislature meets again, and if Judge Smith's view is sustained by the court of last resort it is the duty of the Legislature to pass a child labor law that will pass the ordeal of constitutional interpretation. The courts cannot uphold unconstitutional laws merely because they seek to accomplish meritorious objects. To do so would be to riddle the Constitution and make a crazy-quilt of our jurisprudence.

Evidently Senator Spooner has heard the bell ring. Heretofore he has been a special champion of the Administration on the floor of the Senate, but it has been freely predicted that when the President and the railroad interests clashed he would be found under the banner of the opposition. "Wait till the bell rings," said the wisecracker doubtfully when Spooner's devotion to the Administration was alluded to. Well, the railroad interests and the President have clashed and the silver-tongued Wisconsin orator has his lance lifted against the Administration. The bell has rung, and Senator Spooner has responded. That is the meaning of Spooner's sudden fear that the Executive is overriding the legislative department of the government. He is already to the fore with an excuse for defeating the legislation proposed by the President.

The Blight of the Trust.

Recently E. H. Harriman laid orders for many thousands of tons of steel rails in Europe on the ground that he could buy steel rails abroad cheaper than he could get them in the American market. Now comes Charles M. Schwab, late president of the United States Steel Company (the trust), with the statement that steel rails made in Germany are better than the rails made in America.

Why? Less than five years ago Andrew Carnegie, the pioneer steel rail manufacturer in this country, and the greatest industrial organizer America has yet produced, stated that steel rails were manufactured at less cost here than anywhere else in the world. The close conjunction of vast deposits of cheaply mined iron ore and enormous beds of smelting coal, together with cheap water transportation and a system of handling, reducing cost to the lowest terms, enabled the American ironmasters to produce steel rails cheaper than anywhere else.

That was before Mr. Carnegie sold out to the trust, which Mr. Schwab assisted in organizing, and the steel rail industry in the United States became pooled. Since then the price of rails has been steadily pushed up in the effort to pay dividends on a capital that is three-fourths water. Incidentally, it appears that the quality of the rails turned out has also deteriorated. It is to extort excessive profits that the steel trust is producing an inferior article and selling it at an extortionate figure. In consequence, great railroad builders like Mr. Harriman can buy cheaper rails at lower prices in foreign markets.

This is neither gratifying to our national pride nor promising as an industrial portent. Trust methods are operating to retard our progress in manufacturing and to clog our energies in the worldwide competition that now prevails. By exacting excessive prices for rails and other construction material, the magnates of the steel trust are enhancing the expense of railroad building and discouraging railway extension.

If the present weather continues Santa Claus will have to make his rounds in this neck of the woods in a scow instead of the traditional sleigh.

By fighting a ghost of his own raising, Trustee Bowers of Alameda has provoked some caustic comments from Colonel W. H. Heuer, United States engineer in charge of river and harbor work on the Pacific Coast, but he has succeeded in drawing out an authoritative disclaimer of any intention to close the tidal canal. It has also elicited from Colonel Heuer the gratifying statement that the canal is bringing no appreciable quantity of mud into the harbor. The popular impression that the contrary is the case cannot stand against the judgment of a trained expert, whose business it is to give close attention to such matters. The tidal canal is safe, and the harbor is not filling up with San Leandro mud. This assurance should be extremely satisfactory to both Oaklanders and Alamedans.

WITH YOU.

The green old road that winds and dips
Close to the river's laughing lips,
The ragged rushes rising rank
In verdure on the bare, brown bank,
The lingering, lights that softly break
In dying beauty o'er the lake,
All these make magic memories start
And paint a picture to my heart.

The river's roll, the lowland's bend,
The soft sky, smiling like a friend,
That white star, climbing up alone,
The water's mellow monotone,
The beauteous belt of yellow light
That binds the dusky waist of night,
That tender time of melting mist
When day and night in silence kissed—
All these that heavenly hour renew
When my first heart went out to you.

The last, bright blush that sunset gave
Was slowly sinking in the wave,
The twilight shadows shook their hair
Loose on the bosom of the air,
Across the water, zephyr-fanned,
The light boat rocked away from land,
And sailing for the waiting west
(That same star throbbed upon her breast!)
Straight through some strange, sweet, golden gate,
Our two hearts drifted to their fate.

Beloved, my whole soul bloomed for you
As flowers unclose to gather dew;
Your heart-touch to my spirit-palm
Brought purer pulse and holier calm;
You lifted me to heights divine;
You steeped life's lips in sacred wine;
You took Love's lens, and looking through,
Drew all my heart and soul to you.

Some day, while walking hand in hand
Through life's love-lighted, lustrous land
We each of us (come soon or late)
Will stand before time's sunset gate.
The evening light upon the wave
Will shine—the glow-worm on the grave—
The bright boat booked for unseen shores
Will have strange angels at the oars,
And straight into the dying west
Our souls must sail at God's behest.

L'ENVOI.

Oh! star of stars, oh! light of light,
God grant this crowning dear delight,
That fearless through his boundless blue
My smiling soul may sail—with you!
—Margaret Hunt Brisbane, in Cosmopolitan.

SOME PASSING JESTS.

"Doctor," said the shrewd looking man, "how many feet of gas does it take to kill a man?"

"That's a queer question," replied the doctor. "Why do you wish to know?"

"One of the guests at my hotel used enough of it to kill himself, and I want to send in a proper bill to his executors."—Philadelphia Press.

"I understand you dined with the Vanderghouls yesterday."

"That's right," admitted Mr. Nooritch.

"They had things pretty fine, I s'pose?"

"Yes, but they're stingy in small matters. Didn't have no tooth-picks to pass around."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"In ancient times," stated the professor, "all idiots were taken out and drowned. Why was that?"

"Well," replied the student with the bulging forehead, "I suppose there were no openings for insurance inspectors and bank examiners in those days."—Pittsburg Post.

"I'm afraid our horse won't run," said he when they reached the racetrack.

"Why not?" she asked.

"He has been scratched."

"Good gracious! Don't the people here know anything about courtplaster?"—Philadelphia Leader.

"You take your roast rare, do you not?" asked the host.

"Not rare," answered the man who is impoverished but grammatical, "rarely."—Washington Star.

After a girl has acquired a beau the first thing she does is to look in his watchcase to see if it contains another girl's picture.—Chicago News.

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SMOTHERED WITH KISSES

WOMAN SAYS HER HUSBAND IS TOO AFFECTIONATE WITH HER SISTER.

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, Dec. 20.—"It may have been the kiss of Judas, but it was my only means of securing justice," explained Mrs. Grace Bergstrom this evening in discussing a sensational incident at the Milwaukee depot yesterday, when she threw her arms around her husband's neck and kissed him.

The kiss was a prearranged signal to an officer that he was the man upon whom he was to serve a notice of suit of divorce and \$5000 alimony.

Mr. and Mrs. Bergstrom had been married only five weeks. To avoid legal service of notice of the divorce suit he was about to leave the State.

Accompanied by an officer, she found him at the depot and pretended a reconciliation.

THE BELL.

There seems to be no criticism in the bill at the Bell Theater this week for the simple reason that the standard of excellence and moral recreation already set by this house have been exceeded far beyond any other bill that has been presented for the entertainment of the public.

Hugh Emmett presents not only one of the most original acts ever seen on an Oakland vaudeville stage, but holds the audience with him, encore after encore calling him back in his unexcelled imitation and clever stunts in ventriloquism. Hullen and Hayes, the great talking and dancing team, which has proven itself a favorite in Oakland many times during the past year, is again on the bill and the two boys not only repeat their past successes, but far surpass them in an entirely new act.

One of the most marvelous exhibitions ever placed on an Oakland vaudeville stage is that of Black, the legless wonder.

James H. Sadler, who has already won the hearts of the big audiences attendant at the Bell, has made a hit this week in his rendering of the song, "When the Bess are in the Hive." The Trolley Car Trio have a very strong acrobatic act and add materially to the strength of the bill. The moving pictures are not only

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WASHINGTON IS BOYCOTT CAUSE VISITED BY FIRE OF RIOTS

AGGREGATE LOSS AT THE CAPITAL WILL AMOUNT TO \$100,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Washington early this morning was visited by two fires, entailing an aggregate loss of \$100,000. The first fire was discovered in the building of the H. H. Jule Piano Company, at 1208 G street, Northwest. It was from this building that four women were rescued nearly overcome by smoke. The flames were soon under control in that building, but later they extended to the basement, second and third floors of Muddiman & Co., gas fixtures and lamp store, adjoining, damaging the building and stock considerably.

The firemen were still working on this fire when another alarm was sounded, which brought the remaining companies and some of the others already out, to the vicinity of Ninth street and Louisiana avenue, the heart of the commission house section. The fire there burned fiercely, but by 9 o'clock was under control.

The total loss was partially covered by insurance.

FAILS BECAUSE HE KEPT MONEY?

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—The only focal note heard thus far concerning the Walsh failure comes from D. K. Pearson, philanthropist and stockholder in the Chicago National Bank. Mr. Pearson's account of what he calls "Walsh's decline and fall" is due to his unshaken belief that the new directorate will bring both depositors and stockholders through without loss. That much conceded, the college benefactor takes the view that his \$48,000 tied up in 132 shares, entitles him to whatever humor he can find in the situation.

"John R. Walsh was a mighty smart man, but no banker," said Mr. Pearson last night. "Friend John certainly has mixed things up. He was altogether too sanguine to make a good banker, and now he is reaping the result. Of course I would not believe that this man did not believe that everybody would come out of it unscathed. People can say what they have a mind to say, but I have known John R. Walsh for forty-five years, know that he is an honest man and that his investments ultimately will pan out all right."

"Let's take things coolly and go slow. At any rate, that is going to be my motto," said Mr. Pearson. "I have not yet decided whether I will sell my 132 shares of Chicago National bank stock. I am not sure of having Smith and Johnson's affairs support my belief that genuine and sufficient assets are there. Poor John! I have known him ever since he kept that dirty little newsstand on Dearborn street. His only mistake has been in his inability to stop getting richer and tried to give away his money he would still be a rich man."

TRYING TO BREAK THEATRICAL TRUST

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—By a Supreme Court decision David Belasco, the playwright, loses his legal fight against the so-called theatrical trust. The case was tried April last and the decision was filed today. There were two suits involved in the trial one in which Belasco sued to hold Klaw & Erlanger, the reputed head of the theatrical trust, to a contract signed by Joseph Brook Belasco asserted that while Brook signed the contract with him, Klaw & Erlanger had been in the background, and that he was a dummy. This was known as action 1. Action 2 was a suit brought by Brook against Belasco to establish co-partnership with Belasco. Brook said he was Belasco's real and only partner. This Belasco denied.

After the decision it was announced that the most serious attempt so far made to break the so-called theatrical trust had been started by District Attorney today in John Doe proceedings. All theatrical managers supposed to be in the trust were subpoenaed and ordered to produce their books and business papers. An examination of these witnesses and books and papers is proceeding secretly.

SEAT ON EXCHANGE SOLD FOR \$90,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A seat on the Stock Exchange was sold today for \$90,000, the highest price on record.

WASHINGTON AUTHORITIES EXPECTED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION.

CHEFOO, Dec. 20, 10 p. m.—A prominent European official who is visiting Chefoo, crystallizing the opinions of persons thoroughly acquainted in China and with the present disorders, states that the Shanghai troubles were the direct result of the American boycott. He thinks the American officials at Washington should have opposed the Chinese demands for a revision of the exclusion laws and insisted upon the immediate suppression of the boycott. He characterizes the boycott movement as an excuse for an exhibition of the anti-foreign feeling resulting from an inflammatory propaganda carried on throughout China since the commencement of the Russo-Japanese war.

"While the boycott in itself is harmless," continues the official referred to, "it has been used by the revolutionary anti-foreign faction of the Chinese to precipitate a repetition of the Boxer troubles, though it is probable that the exorable elements have eluded the control of the real conspirators and caused premature demonstrations. Unless the Washington authorities take immediate and strong measures to suppress the agitation in Shanghai," concluded the official quoted "troubles which are now merely local will spread."

The failure of the boycott agitation appears in Chefoo to be due undoubtedly to the strenuous demand of American Consul Fowler that the Chinese refrain from holding meetings or issuing inflammatory placards, resulting in the inability of the dangerous Chinese element to successfully prosecute their agitation.

WILL PRESIDE IN KOREA

MARQUIS ITO WILL SERVE AS THE FIRST RESIDENT GENERAL.

TOKIO, Dec. 20.—The order establishing the newly organized system of resident generalship, to hold office in Korea, passed the privy council today, and it will be published tomorrow. According to its provisions, the resident general will be under the direct command of the Emperor and not of the government.

Simultaneously with the publication of the order Marquis Ito will be appointed resident general at Seoul, principally in compliance with the wish expressed by the Emperor of Korea. His tenure of office will, it is believed, be short, as there is every indication that the Marquis Saloni, president of the constitutional party of Japan, is forming a new cabinet.

VALUABLE BOOKS ARE MISSING

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Discovery was made yesterday, according to the Herald that books of record which should show in detail the transactions of the Mutual Life Insurance Company's supply department while it was under the management of Andrew C. Fields, have been destroyed or stolen from the safe in which the department records are kept. For more than three weeks this has been known to the company's temporary president, Frederic Cromwell, and he has searched the Mutual Life building from top to bottom without finding the least trace of the missing books.

It was a demand for the production of these books before the Mutual's investigating committee, of which W. H. Truesdale is chairman, that brought to light the fact of their disappearance.

When the members of the investigating committee learned of the disappearance of the records they began a search on their own account, going so far as to employ detectives for that purpose. These men have reported that they have been unable to find any clue which will help them in locating the missing books.

There are three men employed in the Mutual's supply department who were believed by the members of the investigating committee to have knowledge of the whereabouts of the records. Accordingly they summoned W. H. Carpenter, who according to his testimony before the Armstrong committee, was in charge of Mr. Fields' "House of Mirth" in Albany. Mr. Carpenter was examined on Monday, but after he left the committee room the members were no wiser than before.

C. A. Norris, who was Fields' assistant in the supply department, was next questioned, but he failed to throw any light on the subject of the books.

The third man who, they believed, could tell them something about the missing records is Julius Hove, bookkeeper of the department. The investigators, it was said yesterday, had not yet been able to secure the presence of Mr. Hove before them.

WANT THE JEWS TO SPEAK POLISH

WARSAW, Dec. 20.—The Polish Nationalists have come to the decision that the Jews in Poland must be transformed into Poles and the Nationalists have therefore issued a proclamation calling on all Israelites to discontinue speaking Yiddish and to learn the Polish language. Cossacks surrounded the offices of the Jewish organ, Kurier Cofitenski, at midnight, arrested the editorial staff and sealed up the offices.

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JURY STUFFING MAY YOH SUES ALLEGED FOR DIVORCE

SHERIFF IS ACCUSED IN OPEN COURT OF SECURING ENEMIES TO PEOPLE.

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 20.—Sheriff Frank P. Grace of this county was charged in open court yesterday with having attempted to stuff a jury in a criminal case. The charge was made by District Attorney, Charles H. Pond and his assistant, Rolfe L. Thompson. Judge Albert G. Burnatt expressed great surprise from the bench at the action of the sheriff. The murder trial of William I. Meyer was before Judge Burnatt and an attempt was being made to obtain a jury. District Attorney Pond has been endeavoring to enforce the law against gambling and has succeeded in suppressing slot machines and other gambling devices. In doing this the District Attorney has gained the enmity of all the gamblers and they are open in their hostility toward Pond. In summoning the venire Sheriff Grace summoned a majority of men who were personal enemies of the District Attorney, whose lack of premeditation challenges left him at the mercy of the jurymen and compelled him to take any seven men summoned as talesmen. One of the venire, Louis Gnos, was a man whom Pond had convicted of running a Klondike game and who had paid \$100 fine, and another, Frank W. Brown was the man who led the gambling forces to persecute the District Attorney. The venire was composed of four of the venire were slot men and all of the slot machines had been deprived of their licenses. Two others had openly declared that they would not convict Meyer under any circumstances. Pond asked that the case be dismissed, intimating that a majority of the citizens summoned as possible jurymen were unfriendly to him personally and contention therefore was out of the question. Meyer's friends claim on the other hand that owing to the state of public sentiment in the county the District Attorney became convinced that conviction was impossible and that a trial of the case was useless.

ACTRESS DIES. MIDDLETOWN, Dec. 20.—Miss Hattie Moore, formerly well known as a singer and actress, died here yesterday of cancer of the stomach.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A cable dispatch from Berlin announces that May Yoh, the actress, formerly Lady Francis Hope, has brought suit in the Berlin courts for divorce against Major Putnam Bradlee Strong, son of the late Mayor Strong of this city.

The actress remained in Berlin for three days attempting to get the details connected with her suit. She left there today for Monte Carlo, where she will remain until she has secured the divorce proceedings. The dispatch does not give the present whereabouts of Strong.

The promised end of the Yoh-Stroger scandal, which completely blighted the brilliant prospects of the young man, does not come as a complete surprise. He and Yoh have quarreled many times since he suffered social ostracism, loss of his position in the army and the friendship of prominent men to marry her after their open association while she was still the wife of Lord Francis Hope, which caused him to be barred from the New York clubs.

BOY CONFESSES TO A MURDER. LEWISTOWN, Mont., Dec. 20.—A final confession has been made by James Sherman, the 19-year-old boy accused of the murder of Sam Stadianski, a pawnbroker, on the night of August 23. Sherman states that the murder was committed by himself alone, and that the dozen or more mysterious burglaries in Lewistown during the past year, as well as the attempted poisoning of the County Attorney and his family on December 1, are his work.

So sure are the authorities that Sherman is telling the truth and such corroboration has been secured, that Russell Hartop, Dave Atkinson and Walter Good have been released from custody, while Dr. E. A. Long is expected to be released soon. The four men were implicated in the murder by young Sherman in his first story following his arrest.

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HUNTED LIKE DEER

MUSLIMEN AND ARMENIANS BEING PURSUED AND KILLED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 20.—The massacres of Mussulmen by Armenians were still in progress at Tiflis, Caucasus, and throughout Caucasus, December 19, according to a dispatch from Tiflis under that date. The Mohammedans were being hunted down like deer, no distinction being made between Persians, Tartars or Ottomans. About 2000 Mussulmen families of Tiflis had sought refuge in neighboring villages. The Cossacks and other troops continued to plunder the houses of Mussulmen at Batum.

ATZ WILL BE WITH PORTLAND

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—Walker McCredie will not have Bakersfield as headquarters for spring training next year. Bakersfield people have closed a deal with the Oakland management by which Portland is shut out. McCredie has in view Riverside, a better town for training.

Now that the baseball season is closed, Walker McCredie admits that Atz will be with him next season. He says that he did not propose to make a trade in the winter, but he now believes that Flood will not be allowed to play. He also admits that Toren comes to the Portland club, and it would not be a bad surprise that Morley gave Toren to Portland for the use of Atz and Schaffey during the post-season series.

"I am looking for a good second baseman," said McCredie. "Then my team will consist of Toren, Flood, Morley, and a catcher. I am looking for a good man and Eslick is one of the best in the league. Bert Jones will be with the club and I expect Garvin to be. Garvin will be the main catcher, though McLean will probably remain. Lister will be at first, with McCall and Van Buren in the field. Mitchell may be traded."

SELECTS HER GRAVE IN SUNNY ITALY

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Maria A. E. Newhill, the divorced wife of James Cuzner, a local business man, who died at Florence, Italy, May 13, left the larger portion of her considerable estate to the Count of Turin, whom she did not know. In her will she expressed the desire to be buried in Italian ground and her body was placed in the Campo Santo at Florence.

Living in Italy alone, she had a great admiration for the Count, whom she had never spoken to. The will of Mrs. Newhill has just been filed with the County Clerk of this county for probate by her only son, Guy L. Cuzner. It was drawn in May, 1904, and a codicil was added the following month. The value of the estate is \$250,000. In the will deposited at the Italian Credit Bank in Florence, written in the Italian language, no mention of an executor was made.

"I desire," it reads, "that his royal highness the Count of Turin will favor me by selecting the site of my grave. I am fully free to do as I desire with my property. No one has the right to interfere. Having bequeathed a little more than \$250,000 to charitable institutions and servants, she makes the Count of Turin her residuary legatee."

PRODUCE MARKET

FLOUR AND CEREALS.

FLOUR—Net cash, Family Extra, \$4.80 @ \$5.10 per bbl; Bakers' Extra, \$4.70 @ \$5.00; Oregon and Washington, \$5.00 @ \$5.20.

WHEAT—No. 1 Shipping, per cwt. \$1.33 @ \$1.36; inferior grades, \$1.20 @ \$1.25; some fancy grades up to \$1.25; common to fair, \$1.15 @ \$1.17; inferior grades, \$1.10 @ \$1.13; Chevalier, nominal.

OATS—Good to choice White, \$1.37 @ \$1.50; Red, \$1.50 @ \$1.62; for choice to fancy, \$1.25 @ \$1.40 for common to fair; for seed, \$1.60 @ \$1.75; lower grades, \$1.25 @ \$1.55.

RYE—Good to choice, per cwt, nominal; new, \$1.45 @ \$1.52.

CORN—Good to choice, per cwt, nominal; California new, large Yellow, \$1.57 @ \$1.60; small do., \$1.50 @ \$1.55; White, \$1.35 @ \$1.37; Eastern Yellow, \$1.32 @ \$1.35; White, \$1.32 @ \$1.35; Mixed, \$1.32 @ \$1.35.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

BUTTER—Fresh California, extra, 30c; firm, 27c; firm, second, 25c; firm, third, nominal.

Eastern Extras, 25c; steady; firsts, 24c; steady; other grades, nominal.

Storage—California extras, 25c; firm, 23c; firm, second, 21c; firm, third, 20c; firm, fourth, 19c; firm, fifth, 18c; firm, sixth, 17c; firm, seventh, 16c; firm, eighth, 15c; firm, ninth, 14c; firm, tenth, 13c; firm, eleventh, 12c; firm, twelfth, 11c; firm, thirteenth, 10c; firm, fourteenth, 9c; firm, fifteenth, 8c; firm, sixteenth, 7c; firm, seventeenth, 6c; firm, eighteenth, 5c; firm, nineteenth, 4c; firm, twentieth, 3c; firm, twenty-first, 2c; firm, twenty-second, 1c; firm, twenty-third, 10c; firm, twenty-fourth, 20c; firm, twenty-fifth, 30c; firm, twenty-sixth, 40c; firm, twenty-seventh, 50c; firm, twenty-eighth, 60c; firm, twenty-ninth, 70c; firm, thirtieth, 80c; firm, thirty-first, 90c; firm, thirty-second, 100c; firm, thirty-third, 110c; firm, thirty-fourth, 120c; firm, thirty-fifth, 130c; firm, thirty-sixth, 140c; firm, thirty-seventh, 150c; firm, thirty-eighth, 160c; firm, thirty-ninth, 170c; firm, fortieth, 180c; firm, forty-first, 190c; firm, forty-second, 200c; firm, forty-third, 210c; 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SOCIETY'S REALM

HUGH GOODFELLOW TAKES A BRIDE

ELABORATE WEDDING AT THE DOWNEY HOME IN THE COLLEGE TOWN.

At half after eight o'clock this evening Hugh Goodfellow, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Goodfellow, of East Oakland, will claim as his bride Miss Jean Downey, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Downey of Berkeley.

The Downey home will be attractively decorated for the event, and over 100 friends and relatives of the young couple will attend the pretty ceremony.

WEDDINGS AND OTHER DATES

CHRISTMAS PLANS INCLUDE WEDDINGS, DINNERS AND OTHER EVENTS.

Miss Ethel Crellin, Miss May Coogan and Miss Marian Goodfellow, will be gowned alike in pink pompadour silk and will carry bouquets to match.

Arthur Goodfellow will act as best man, and the ushers will include Stanley Moore, William Stubbs, Alfred Plaw and James Force.

On their return from their wedding trip Mr. Goodfellow and his bride will occupy the pretty home they have leased in Linda Vista.

GOES EAST FOR HIS BRIDE.

Mr. Charles F. Mielenz, a successful young business man, will depart for Buffalo, N. Y., today, where he will be united in marriage to Miss Florence Edna Brush, the accomplished daughter of Mr. Hazard Perry Brush, a prominent merchant of that city.

Mr. Mielenz has been in business on this coast for several years, and is known in society in this and neighboring cities.

Mr. and Mrs. Mielenz will return to the coast after the ceremony and take up their residence in Oakland, Mr. Mielenz continuing his business in San Francisco.

HOME WEDDING.

The marriage of Miss Alice Folger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Folger, of Sebastopol, and Dr. Mark Lewis Emerson, of this city, will take place at high noon Friday at the bride's home.

The bride will be attended by her sisters, Miss Emily and Miss Avis Folger, and only relatives and close friends have been bidden to the ceremony.

After an extended honeymoon trip Dr. Emerson and his bride will make their home in this city, where the groom has established his practice.

CHRISTENING PARTY.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Kenneth Lowden entertained last Sunday at a christening party for their small son, Rev. Edgar F. Gee officiated, and the boy

was given the name of William Heron, his great grandfather. Mrs. E. A. Stant and Joseph Kendall stood up as godmother and godfather.

The Lowden home was decorated in red carnations, berries and greens, and an elaborate dinner followed the christening ceremony.

XMAS WEDDINGS.

The marriage of Miss Mathilda Stoner and Amos M. Evans will be solemnized on Christmas day. The groom is a prominent business man, a Mason, and a member of the local Elks, while the bride-to-be is a trained nurse, and well known in the professional world.

LADY TORTURED BY ECZEMA

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"Three years ago I was tortured by that dreadful disease eczema, a fine rash appearing on my face, neck, and arms. I sought medical treatment, but found nothing to ease my pain until persuaded by my mother, who had always used the Cuticura Remedies, to try Cuticura, which I did at once and was soon relieved. I took twelve bottles of that blessed Remedy, Cuticura Resolvent, using Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and have never been bothered with eczema since. We all use your Cuticura Soap and Ointment. They are the best in the world. I use your Cuticura Soap for the face, and find it beneficial to the skin. I thank you very much for the good Cuticura has done for me. (signed) Lizzie Ellis, Woods Cross, Utah, May 15, 1905."

BABY-SITTING HUMOR

"The Cuticura Remedies have been used with success in many cases of skin and scalp disease that I know of, and every one that has used them gives them praise. Last summer my baby was troubled with an itching humor of the skin, and Cuticura cured her in a little while. (signed) Mrs. Alice Deadwile, Smithville, I. T., Mar. 18, 1905."

Complete National and Internal Treatment for every humor, from Pimples to Scabies, from Itchiness to Age, consisting of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, Resolvent, and Cuticura Tablets. The Cuticura Remedies are sold everywhere, and the most effective treatment for all skin diseases is guaranteed. Cuticura is the only remedy that cures the skin from the inside, and the only one that cures the skin from the outside.

The wedding of Miss Annie Chalmers and Albert J. Watts will take place on the evening of December 25 at the home of the bride's parents on Linden street.

Miss Marion Duff will act as bridesmaid, and the best man will be Walter Watts, of Auburn, a brother of the groom.

Little Florence Noble, a niece of the groom, will be the flower girl. The wedding will be an elaborate affair, attended by friends and relatives of the young people.

XMAS PLANS.

Mrs. Warren S. Palmer will celebrate a merry Xmas in a unique way at her Madison street home. There will be the conventional tree and elaborate dinner, but preceding this important part of the day's program will be the presentation of two clever Xmas plays, written by Mrs. Palmer.

The billiard room has been converted into a miniature theater, and through the courtesy of Manager Frank H. Graham of Ye Liberty, this clever hostess has had special scenery painted for the event.

The first sketch, in which the little people are to participate, is entitled "The Little News Girl's Christmas," and the story is told in pretty verse. The cast will be as follows: Bernice Brownell, Angel of the Christmas Tree; Doris Bornemann, Hope; Ruth Bangs, Love; Gertrude Bangs, Faith; Alice Palmer, Spirit of Night, and Marlan Hook, News Girl.

The second half of the program is a vaudeville sketch written for Mrs. Harry Asa Jones and Mrs. Melville Tobriner, with a number of songs and specialties. The program of the day is a charming one, and the old-fashioned Christmas tree will conclude the festivity.

CLUB BREAKFAST.

The California Club breakfast will take place December 27 at the club rooms, and promises to be one of the events of the year in club circles.

XMAS TREE.

The home of the Edison Adams will be the scene of a merry gathering on Christmas Day when the family, including George H. Wheaton, the George S. Wheatons and the C. E. Palmers, will assemble about the Xmas tree. The family dinner will be served at the Wheaton home on Lake street.

WILL MOVE.

Mr. and Mrs. William Babcock Hubbard will leave the Hotel Athens shortly to occupy their new apartments on Franklin street.

HAS HIS TRIAL SET. John Rose, accused of battery on Dr. J. E. Hinchey, had his trial set for Wednesday, December 21, at 10 o'clock.

LABOR UNION MATTERS

THOSE INTERESTED IN GYMNASIUM PROJECT HOLD A MEETING.

Secretary Gray, of the Oakland Laundry Workers, received an order, this morning, from the Secretary of the Stockton Central Labor Council, for fifty copies of the special edition of the "New York Journal" describing the "laundry war" at Troy, N. Y., which has now been progressing for some months.

THE GYMNASIUM. There was a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting, at Central Labor Headquarters on Eighth street Tuesday evening, of those interested in the gymnasium to be installed at that headquarters. Central Athletic Club was selected as the name, and the first Sunday in January as the time of meeting for permanent incorporation.

THEATRICAL BENEFIT.

The ten per cent proceeds of the Tuesday, January 3.

financial intake at the Crescent Theater, this week, which has been donated by the management to labor unionism, goes to the Arrangements Committee, to be used in defraying the expenses of the session of the State Labor Federation at Oakland the first week in January, and not to the Central Labor Council, as erroneously stated yesterday.

NILES NOTES.

NILES, Dec. 20.—The races held Sunday on the Irvington Stock Farm track drew a large crowd and proved a great success.

Miss Rose Hinchley, of Irvington, who has been visiting in Palo Alto and San Francisco for the past ten days, returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ellsworth, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ford, Mrs. Jane Clough, and Mrs. H. B. Ellsworth left Saturday evening on an excursion trip to the City of Mexico. They will be gone about two weeks.

Mrs. Bally, who has been on a visit in Sacramento, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Harry Cushing, of Irvington, and Mrs. Jack Egan, of Mission San Jose, drove to San Jose Friday Christmas shopping.

O. H. Farley has rented the vacant store in the I. O. O. F. Building and will soon open a candy store.

The Bazaar held by the Ladies' Guild of Niles last Friday afternoon and evening netted about \$145.

The next meeting of the Guild will be held at the home of Mrs. Mayhew Wednesday, January 3.

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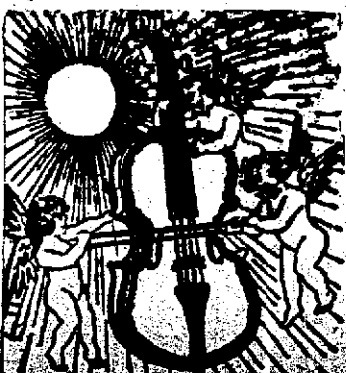
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FAVORS THE NEW HOTEL

CHRONICLE HAS A GOOD WORD FOR THE CLAREMONT PROPOSITION.

The erection of a tourist hotel in the foothills of the Contra Costa range at Claremont is now assured, a company organized by a number of well known Oakland and Berkeley capitalists having incorporated it and taken up one-half of the \$300,000 of capital stock themselves. The site secured for the hotel is one of the loveliest and best suited locations for the purposes of the projected enterprise anywhere near the trinity of transbay cities.

According to the plans of the projectors of the hotel, it is proposed to build a structure containing 500 rooms and costing \$300,000. The site affords ample grounds around the structure for ornamentation and to secure privacy and open-air comforts for guests. The view will be commanding. The three transbay cities, the sweep of the mountain range, the broad and beautiful bay, the Golden Gate, Tamalpais and the city of San Francisco will all be in sight, constituting one of the most varied, romantic and picturesque prospects within the range of vision from the site of any tourist hotel in existence.

But these are not enough in themselves. The new tourist hotel will have to be constructed and equipped on luxurious lines to enable it to attain the greatest degree of success. It should be externally a thing of beauty and its interior finished and furnished in such a fashion that its fame will be noised abroad, far and wide. That has been largely the secret of the success of the three popular tourist hotels in the southern counties and of some hotels in this city, in whose interior appointments no expense has been spared. It will have a tendency to blast the transbay enterprise if any disposition is shown on the part of the promoters to cheapen the interior appointments on the score of economy.—San Francisco Chronicle, December 20.

Tonight After 6 Extra Special

CHOICE OF THESE THREE INDI SEATS AT EXTREMELY LOW PRICES. THESE ARE SUBSTANTIALLY WELL-MADE SEATS AND SOMETHING ANY ONE WOULD APPRECIATE. TONIGHT IS SURLY THE TIME TO BUY THEM AT THESE EXTRA SPECIAL PRICES. THIS WILL BE THE ONLY EXTRA SPECIAL WE WILL OFFER. NONE SOLD BEFORE 6 P. M. TO A CUSTOMER.



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What more can you ask? We will sell you a piano bench just like above cut, in solid oak, high plane polished golden or selected birch, thoroughly seasoned, finished in rich mahogany, well braced, and like where, but our price \$5.50.

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EXCHANGE PREPARES TO WARN RESIDENTS

Committee Has Water Report Printed and Will Mail Every Landowner a Copy.

The matter of the diversion of water from the Niles Canyon country by the Spring Valley Water Company was the subject of a special report at a meeting of the Merchants' Exchange last night. Messrs. Theo. Gler, Wilber Walker and Harry Williams stated to the assembled directors that they had brought the matter to the attention of the Board of Supervisors and the District Attorney, and from the latter the following reply had been received:

"Messrs. Theo. Gler, Harry G. Williams, Wilber Walker, Gentlemen:—I received your communication this day. At the present time, the many things to be done approaching the close of the year will prevent me from giving you any immediate reply and, in fact, the subject is one that will require considerable consideration. However, I shall let you hear from me just as early as possible with reference to the matter of your communication."

"Yours very truly,
JOHN J. ALLEN,
District Attorney."

Theo. Gler then stated that they had the report of the special committee embodying all the data regarding the pumping out of the country about Niles, Sunol, Pleasanton and Mission San Jose printed in pamphlet form, and a list of property owners was to be obtained from the Assessor's office and every person in the affected country mailed a copy. Later meetings were to be held and the matter thoroughly threshed out with the residents of these districts. Mr. Gler also stated that the committee had received a number of letters of encouragement from wealthy and influential residents of that part of Alameda county, promising their aid and financial assistance.

WILL REFUSE BONDS.

There was a pretty general sentiment expressed by the directors against the demand of the Southern Pacific Railway that shippers should be required to give Security Company bonds in the place of personal bonds, heretofore given by the merchants of the town. Mr. Gler, in speaking upon this subject, said that it looked to him very much as though the railroad company had gone into the Security Company business, as he had been approached by agents of the Security Company.

ANOTHER CHANGE IS INSTITUTED

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Another change in the policies in vogue in Suffolk County, designed to reduce expenditures, was instituted yesterday by District Attorney John B. Moran, when he ordered a discontinuance of the practice of summoning many policemen to testify in cases before the Grand Jury. As much as \$200,000 has been diverted from the county treasury, it is alleged, through an excessive and unnecessary calling in of witnesses and the distribution of witness and mileage fees. It is stated that in the future Mr. Moran will not permit policemen to bring unnecessary witnesses before the Grand Jury.

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CLEVER LITTLE ACTRESS

FIVE-YEAR-OLD SHIRLY EILEEN HAMILTON PLEASURES THEATROGOERS.



SHIRLY EILEEN HAMILTON. Although not yet five years of age, Shirley Eileen Hamilton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. "Val" Hamilton, is an exceedingly clever little actress, and her friends believe that should her parents desire to allow her to continue, she has a bright theatrical career before her. The little actress made her first appearance at Ye Liberty in "The Mountebank," and scored a decided hit there, and, too, when the same play was given in San Francisco at the Majestic. She has also appeared at the Crescent theatre in this city, and, in fact, is taking part this week.

ROY ASHBURY MUST ANSWER

ROY ASHBURY, stepson of "Dr." William Proctor, with whom he figured in regard to the attempted robbery of Mrs. Emily Tyson of Niles, was brought to the County Jail this morning from San Francisco, where he has just completed a term for petit larceny, and must now answer to the courts here for the robbery of Mrs. Tyson, to which he entered a plea of guilty, in order to get the benefit of the probation law.

As soon as Ashbury arrived at the County Jail he at once telephoned to Attorneys Aldrich and Gentry, and will endeavor to adopt the same tactics by which Proctor evaded the serving of a seven-year sentence in State Prison. Proctor was charged with grand larceny, and was convicted by a jury and sentenced to prison. Attorney Gentry took an appeal from the case on the ground that the wrong charge had been placed against his client, and that instead of having been charged with grand larceny he should have been charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. His contention was upheld by the Appellate Court.

WOMAN DIES AND MYSTERY REMAINS

Rosa Silva, a woman who was found on December 13 by Policemen Ford in San Francisco in an apparently drunken condition, died Monday afternoon at the County Infirmary. She was about thirty years of age. She remained in all semi-unconscious condition during her stay at the County Hospital and little is known of her past. It is not thought that she was married.

CHANGE IN WARDS.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—The Town Trustees have changed the ward boundaries so that the first ward now includes that part of North Berkeley from First avenue up to Virginia and Francisco streets. The Seventh Ward will hereafter include all the land south of the Santa Fe track. The Sixth Ward is to consist of a "sandwich strip" on both sides of Broadway running to Channing way on one side and Parker street on the other.

SENT TO STOCKTON.

C. M. Cornell, an old lighthouse builder, was committed to the Stockton asylum yesterday suffering from a acute dementia. He is 68 years of age and has taken part in the erection of every lighthouse on this Coast. His son lives at 561 East Eighteenth street. The son swore to the complaint as the old man had become very despondent and he was fearful of what he might do. For some time past, Cornell had been an inmate of the King's Daughters' Home.

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YOSEMITE PLANS BEFORE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—A joint resolution providing for the acceptance of the recreation of Yosemite Valley was introduced yesterday by Senator Perkins. The resolution recites the action of the California Legislature in receding the valley and Sequoia big tree grove, defines the boundaries and accepts recedation on the part of the United States. It is expected the resolution will soon pass Congress.

SELLING TREES

The ladies of the First Baptist Church are holding a sale of Christmas trees and berries, 421 Eleventh street and 313 San Pablo avenue.

PLAN TO PURCHASE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Private dispatches received in Wall street from St. Paul yesterday said that the negotiations for the purchase by United States Steel Corporation of the iron lands of the Great Northern Railway in Minnesota had been completed. No confirmation of the report could be obtained here.

The reports yesterday said that a mining company was projected on whose stock stockholders of the Great Northern, the steel corporation would guarantee dividends.

Money that comes easy is hard to keep.

DISCRIMINATING LADIES.

Enjoys Using Herpelide on Account of its Distinctiveness.

The ladies who have used Newbro's Herpelide speak of it in the highest terms, for its quick effect in cleansing the scalp of dandruff and also for its excellence as a general hairdressing. It makes the scalp feel fresh and it allays that itching which dandruff will cause. Newbro's Herpelide effectively cures dandruff, as it destroys the germ that causes it. The same germ causes hair to fall out, and later baldness; in killing it Herpelide stops falling hair and prevents baldness. It is also an ideal hair dressing, for it lends an aristocratic charm to the hair that is quite distinctive. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10 cents in stamps for a trial bottle of Newbro's Herpelide. Company, Detroit, Michigan.

BERKELEY MAN'S DOINGS IN FRAUD CASES

CITIZENS FIND THEMSELVES WITH NEW WARD RESIDENCE

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Re-Districting of Berkeley by Town Trustees Produces Many Changes, Which are Subject of Study by Voters.

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BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—The report published by THE TRIBUNE yesterday regarding the hunt of secret service men for S. A. D. Puter in Berkeley has revived interest in Puter's connection with the famous land fraud cases in Oregon.

Some amusement was created by the report that Puter had been "traced to Berkeley." He has long been a resident of Berkeley, owning a beautiful home here. His address and telephone number are easily found in the directories.

The dispatch from Oregon in relation to Mr. Puter's alleged disappearance first appeared in the Evening Telegram of Portland, and is as follows:

"Horace C. McKinley and S. A. D. Puter, convicted in this city last summer of conspiracy to defraud the United States Government in connection with the land frauds in this State, have been seen in San Francisco and Oakland, Cal., within the last ten days by a reliable business man of this city who recognized them."

"McKinley and Puter were released after their conviction on their promise to appear whenever needed to testify in the case of the Government against Congressman Binger Hermann, who is under indictment in connection with the operations of the land fraud ring in this State. The local sureties for the pair assert that they were relieved of responsibility for the appearance of the men by Francis J. Henry, who was United States Attorney during the land fraud trials in Oregon, and records in the office of the Clerk of the United States District Court fail to reveal that new bondsmen were secured."

TROUBLE FOR PUTER.

The trouble in relation to Puter appeared in the issue of the Oregon Sunday Journal.

"Trouble is again brewing for S. A. D. Puter and Horace McKinley of land fraud fame, and two arrests have been made within the past thirty-six

hours of persons charged with complicity with them in forging deeds and certificates of State school lands."

"Kay McKay was taken into custody yesterday by the police of Seattle on a warrant sworn out by Elliott Goddard, of La Crosse, Wis., charging him with forgery, and George J. Hibbard of this city was arrested Friday on the same charge, but was released yesterday morning, the authorities having become convinced that he was not in fact only the innocent tool of the smooth swindlers who were the moving spirits in the frauds."

"Warrants are out for Puter, McKinley, H. M. Siggs and two other members of the gang whose identity is hidden under the names of 'John Doe' and 'Richard Roe.' Hiram Goddard, lumberman and banker of La Crosse, Wis., swore to the complaints and his losses through the operations of the gang are placed as high as \$250,000."

CAUGHT BY FORGERIES.

"By means of forged deeds purporting to convey from the State of Oregon 7000 acres of valuable timber lands, he was parted from his money. Goddard has invoked the aid of the State laws of Wisconsin to punish the men who swindled him, and if developments should warrant it, the Government will doubtless take a hand in the proceedings."

"Evidence has been placed in the hands of State Land Agent West which will play an important part in the proceedings when the defendants are placed on trial."

WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN.

"Where McKinley and Puter are now is not known to the State land agent. They were in Chicago not many weeks ago, but as they are under bonds to appear in Portland for trial when their cases are reached the secret service men have not kept close watch on their movements. If the Blue Mountain case, in which they are co-defendants with Congressman Hermann, should be called in January, as is expected, they will be obliged to appear then, and if they should fail to do so the Federal officials will at once begin search for them."



THOMAS RICKARD.

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The object of the committee is to discuss the important questions of civic improvement, to advise the various clubs of the action taken and to have them follow the lines of work laid out by this committee. The action of the board is not binding on the clubs and they may refuse to sanction the work of the advisors.

At the meeting last night the members discussed the best method of electing the Freeholders for the coming charter election. President Neal, of the A. A. A., suggested the manner of electing the members of the board which would give all districts an equal representation. As the best scheme, a motion of Neal a mass meeting will be called at the city hall, at which time the nominees receiving the largest number of votes will be elected. There are fifteen precincts and one representative is to be elected from each. The nominations for Freeholders can be made by any citizen at any time and the advisory board will make nominations.

The action of Colonel Heuer in declaring that the tidal canal was to be closed was discussed and a motion passed calling on the different clubs of the city to communicate with the trustees favoring the stand taken at that meeting of that body Monday night.

An application is to be made to the County Board of Supervisors asking that body to allow Alameda a rated sum for publicity out of the public fund.

A request will also be addressed to the City Trustees asking the same favor.

C. C. Eyrion, who is projecting a new bank in this city, spoke for a few moments on his plans.

COMPETITION CLOSED.

ALAMEDA, Dec. 20.—The competition for the boys getting subscribers to the Arbor Day Tree Fund closed yesterday and the total amount collected by the boys amounts to a goodly sum of \$325.75. Herbert Langhorne of Sherman street gained the largest number of subscribers, his list follows:

Robert Minor, \$1.50; B. Hollmeyer, \$1.50; F. C. Diew, \$1.50; Maj. C. L. Allen, \$1.50; W. A. Vanden, \$1.50; Elizabeth L. O'Connor, \$1.50; N. Bruce Dillman, \$1.50; E. S. Waterman, \$1.50.

PUNSTERS IN ACTION AT BERKELEY.

Bear Steaks Inspire Pseudo Wits to Almost Unbearable Attempts at Humor.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—The punsters are busy in Berkeley, as witness the following:

Just because the body of a big brown bear is hung up in front of a Shattuck avenue butcher shop, all the punsters, amateur and professional, of the University town are making life unhappy for those who have to hark to the punsters punishing their friends.

The bear is for sale, or his steaks are. Now, everybody knows about beef steaks and mutton steaks, and such, but bear steaks are something of a novelty.

One University professor walked past the place, with Marshal Vollmer, and asked the Marshal, as he pointed to the bear, "What might those things be hanging there?"

"They might be bear steaks," said the intrepid Marshal, and the professor fled from his innocent soul.

Then there was Attorney Staats and Town Clerk Merrill.

"My—look at the bear," cried Merrill.

"I can't bear to do it," wailed the attorney with a shudder, and Merrill

shuddered, too, though not from the same cause.

Joe Mills hurried past the place, seeking a lunch at home, and encountered R. A. Berry in the vicinity.

Mills loves a pun—his is a perfect pun mill. In fact, when he saw Berry he decided that the latter should get what was coming to him.

"Don't you think," said Mills, "that Corryell, the pound man and humane chap, ought to interfere here?"

"Why?" asked the innocent Berry.

"Why?" responded Mills, "bare limbs oughtn't to be exhibited in this town, on a prominent street."

Berry gazed, but Mills had not done his worst, for as Berry fled the bank teller yelled after him: "I call that berry bum—eh?"

"Burrick!" Mills informed his helpless fellows at the Union Club that he could not hope to have bear steaks for Christmas, but hoped to bear up under it.

"What's the sex of the bear?" queried "Burrick!"

"What difference does that make?"

"Not much—except that, I suppose you would want to be sure, before thinking of eating it, that it wasn't a mis-stink."

Abbott was expelled.

HE TOLD THE TRUTH

But the Result Was Painful-- Very!

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—Joe Martinez was arrested on a charge of drunkenness Sunday night. Yesterday he took the stand in his own behalf in Justice Robert Edgar's court room.

"What is your business?" asked Judge Edgar.

"I am an agent," said Joe.

"Agent for what?" questioned His Honor, carelessly.

"Lottery tickets,"

"You sell lottery tickets?" said Judge Edgar, arching his eyebrows and intoning his words with a rising inflection.

"That's my business," said Joe, his clear blue eyes sparkling with honest light.

The Judge took a long breath and then with a half sigh, as if to say, "Too bad that such beautiful and unswerving adherence to the truth should go unrewarded," said:

"Guilt was charged. Fined \$10 for drunk. I further order that you be held on a charge of violating the law prohibiting the sale of lottery tickets, and that your bail on this latter charge be \$50 cash."

Martinez paid the fine and put up the bail. Then he went home to think it over.

FIRE CHIEF TO TEST AN ENGINE

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—Fire Chief Kenney announced today that a test of a new model gasoline fire engine would take place in front of the Town Hall Sunday morning. The new engine is offered for sale by the Gamewell Fire Alarm and Supply Company. A. J. Coffey, representative of the company, will be on hand to exhibit the new machine.

LOST A BLANKET.

Mrs. Josephine Hanger, landlady of the Hotel Hanger, at the corner of Broadway and Third streets, reported to Chief of Police Hodgkins this morning that she had lost a blanket and other articles by the unexpected leaving of a roomer.

INFANT SON DIES.

Chester, the six-months-old son of Charles Keller, 357 Grove street, died last night at the home of his parents.

623. The Seventh Ward is bounded on the north by the town line on the east by West street, extending from the north town line to Palmer, thence westerly to the water front, the latter forming the entire westerly boundary on that side. The voting population is 612.

HIT THE "BIG UNS"

Corporations to Pay More Taxes.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—As a result of the Town Trustees' decision, the telephone, water and gas company's licenses have been raised \$300 per year, making the license of these institutions \$500 a year instead of \$200, as was originally set forth in the new ordinance. The Trustees provided also that all breweries pay \$200 a year for the privilege of making beer within the corporate limits of the College town.

BITS OF CHAT FROM BERKELEY

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ince have changed their residence from 2331 Dana street to 2325 Carleton street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gloster of 2141 Berkeley way are now residing at 510 Eddy street, San Francisco.

Miss Mary A. George of 2031 Delaware street is now located at 1139 Howard boulevard, Los Angeles.

Henry Ahlfeld and Thomas Gilbert of Berkeley, officers of the Redding Gold and Copper Company, were recently at Redding and inspected the company's property on Clear creek.

Everett Snyder, who had apartments in Bon Air, has moved to 2267 Shattuck avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Cole Jr. have moved from 2611 Parker street to 2610 Piedmont avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Rutherford and son, formerly of Berkeley, have moved to their country home in Suisun.

L. Lindsay is now in the German Hospital, San Francisco. His former address was 2435 Piedmont avenue.

C. W. Sheriden and W. H. Hester have moved from 2329 Dana street to 2312 Durant avenue.

W. J. Hayes has moved to Pasadena, Cal.

R. Norrish, formerly of Berkeley, is now residing in San Jose.

R. E. Botshard has gone to Los Angeles.

Katharine Easton has moved from 2606 Benvenue avenue to their new home at 2540 College avenue.

Albert G. Wahlander has moved from 1927 Ashby avenue to 5016 Harper street.

Mr. and Mrs. Gould of 1925 Home street, Berkeley, have moved to Kensington road, Los Angeles.

Walter Harker has moved from 2425 Bancroft way to 2312 Durant avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan of Berkeley will make their home in Los Gatos.

Ernest Hopkins of 2305 S. Bancroft way has taken rooms at 2318 Dana street.

Two heads are better than one—if neither one aches.

There are mistakes it would be a mistake not to make.

Not all who think they have thoughts.

OFF FOR ORIENT

Brilliant Chinese Youth as a Teacher.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—Sam Yung, the Chinese "Native Son," who bore off the honors of his class at the University of California, winning the prize, has sailed for China, as Superintendent of Schools in Southern China. Mr. Yung, after taking his B. A. degree from the State institution, went to New York and graduated in one year from the Columbia University as M. A., intending to further pursue his studies, when he was appointed by the Chinese Minister at Washington, Sir Liang Chen-tung, to this important position.

The establishment of free public schools in China is an innovation and a concession to Western methods, but recently agreed to by the Emperor. In each provincial district a large primary school will be located, to be fed by the successful graduates from the village schools, these in turn supplying the students for the higher grade institutions to be placed in the capitals of the eighteen provinces. From these colleges the Imperial University at Peking will receive those who have successfully passed the specified examinations.

IN DEBT A GOOD WHILE.

The money lender isn't always favored by the courts, as the borrowers sometimes declare. In the City of London Court, for instance, Judge Rentoul, K. C., has made an order to pay a debt of £10 10d to a money lender at the rate of one penny a month. The payment will be completed in 209 years.—Boston Globe.

It's so much easier to borrow trouble than it is to pay debts.

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ATHLETIC PROJECT

For Better Quarters in Fruitvale.

FRUITVALE, Dec. 20.—It is understood that the headquarters of the Fruitvale Athletic Club are to be moved. The wheels of finance have already been set in motion with the purpose of buying a lot, moving the present building and adding to it sufficiently to make it an appropriate and adequate headquarters for all in Fruitvale district who delight in physical culture and appreciate the importance of it. It is proposed to put it in the charge of a thoroughly competent physical instructor, and make it a place where all who delight in gymnastic training and healthful exhibitions in that line can go freely. Constable Tom Carroll is heading this movement, and it has good backing among the business men and others.

STUDENT OFFICERS.

The student body of Union High School No. 4 has elected the following officers for next term: President, George Bligh; vice-president, Julius Ziebold; secretary, Joseph Marion Cohen; assistant, Mildred "Flame," Miss Eva Gunn; assistant, Alice Swaney; department editors—story, Alida Hagaman; assistant, Julius Ziebold; personal, Florence McKnight; assistant, Elsie Freeman; exchanges, Alfred Hughes; assistant, Roy Guttridge; Joseph Marion Cohen; assistant, Mildred "Flame," Miss Eva Gunn; assistant, Alice Swaney; department editors—story, Alida Hagaman; assistant, Julius Ziebold; personal, Florence McKnight; assistant, Elsie Freeman; exchanges, Alfred Hughes; assistant, Roy Guttridge.

WOULD BECOME BOY'S GUARDIAN

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A CLUB OF GIRLS

To Pay for Church Improvement.

ELMHURST, Dec. 20.—The inside fair, the first effort at entertaining the L. A. Club of young girls of the church, which was held in the Presbyterian Church Tuesday afternoon and evening, was all that could be desired. The booths were simple but artistic, with an unusual degree of fineness in the colorings, and were freely purchased. Cake, sandwiches, ice cream, and coffee were the refreshments. That there were two "mystery booths" instead of one was the only change made from the program. The affair was in every way a credit to the young society of young folk of the church.

This society, which was organized only about two months ago, seems likely to be one of the most prominent features in the social organization of the church. It contains ten bright young misses: Alma Graham, president; Alma Melrose, vice-president; Tillson Faulker, secretary; Mabel Graham, treasurer; Maud Gerrier, Edna Schetter, Idell Batchelder, Florence Matson, Lella Whiting and Arline Shaw. The meaning of the initial name is a secret of the young lady members.

Since it came into being, and partly by its efforts, the church has been furnished with a water supply handy inside, and additional electric lights have been put in, and a portion of the kitchen has been in all of about \$25, which the young misses gave the fair in an effort to pay off. They promise to prove very effective aids to Pastor Gerrier in the practical work of the church.

The church gives a Christmas service on Friday evening of this week.

WOODMEN.

Elm Camp of Woodmen of the World met for the last time this year Monday evening, December 18. Their next meeting will be on January 8, at which time the officers for the new year are to be installed, and a committee will furnish an entertainment and refreshments for members only.

THE POSTOFFICE.

The Elmhurst postoffice will be open on Christmas and on New Year's Day only from 8 to 10 a. m., the same hours as on Sunday, and there will be no rural delivery at all on those days.

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**WHO WILL
GET 'EM?**
Ten Licenses for
Twenty-four
Dealers.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—Twenty-four
applications for saloon licenses are in the
hands of the License Committee, and
upon this list of applications action will
be taken very soon, there being ten li-
censes to be awarded.
Just how the favors will be divided is
not known, but it is probable that not
more than two will go to South Berke-
ley, that section of the town having al-
ready gone on record as not favoring
saloons. The balance will be divided
among the list of West End establish-
ments that have applied for a renewal
of their licenses.
Following are the applicants: W. F.
Krahn, B. M. Bruel, D. H. Bruns and
G. Federwits, Charles H. Bender, Charles
Eaden, P. W. Manday, P. Mallo,
Charles Wiemann, Dennis A. Landre-
gan, Joseph Sweetman, John H. Jones,
Jean Galan, John Sandoz, Herman Christ,
J. Vergnes, Daniel F. Duggan, Lawrence
Galvin, George Malcolm, Chris Cole,
Charles Peterson, August Hullaide, John
Knox, P. Connors and Mrs. E. Deveau.

**EXCELLENT COMEDY
AT YE LIBERTY**

The very best written, best acted and
all around most perfect production of a
modern comedy attracted a large and
enthusiastic audience to Ye Liberty
Playhouse last night. Madeline Lucette
Riley's brilliant comedy, "Christopher
Jr.," was the bill, the most attractive
one Manager Bishop has offered in a
long time in the comedy line. Mrs.
Riley's comedy, "Christopher Jr.," is a
line, funny situations and good climaxes.
In the hands of Bishop's players it could
not have possibly had a better produc-
tion, for every member of the excellent
cast was on his and her motto, and a
perfect performance was the result. This
is the comedy and same cast that has
been delighting San Francisco for the
past week, and the reason for this is
very evident.
In the excellent cast there are many
bright stars. Robert Wayne brings a
fine sense of humor to the part of Chris-
topher Colt Jr. and plays this altogether
fascinating young man with a rare dis-
cretion and skill. He is ably seconded
by Franklyn Underwood, who, as Bert
Bella, a young barometer with one line
case to his credit, gave a finished, gen-
tlemanly and polished performance.
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**GONE TO
HIS REST**
Funeral of W. H.
Gray on Thurs-
day.

SAN LEANDRO, Dec. 20.—News was
received here yesterday of the death of
William Harrison Gray at Fabiola Hos-
pital in Oakland early Tuesday morning.
The departure was not unexpected.
While the injury was one that was by
no means necessarily fatal, yet it was
felt from the first that it would prove so
in this case. The funeral is an-
nounced to be from Mr. Gray's late re-
sidence, at 2 p. m. Thursday, with in-
terment at San Lorenzo.
Mr. Gray was born in Quincy, Mass.,
in 1842, and came to California with his
parents when but 12 years of age. For
a number of years soon after he was in
the East again at school, but returned
before he was 19, and soon after was
engaged in helping to build the first
quartz mill built in the Washoe country
in Nevada. He remained in that country
as a mining superintendent until about
1878. In the meantime, about 1898, mar-
rying Miss Rozzie Fennell, of San
Leandro. About 1878 he returned with
his family to San Leandro, with the in-
dustrial history of which he was after-
ward connected until his death, with the
exception of a few years when his in-
terests were largely in San Francisco.
For two years that he was a resident of
San Diego. From the time of his return
from San Diego, about 1898, until a year
ago he was connected, most of the time
as superintendent, with the manufacture
of the Price pay press, since passed to
the ownership of Fortmeyer Bros. He
was, at an earlier date, before going to
San Diego, connected with the San Le-
andro Flow Company, started by the
citizens of San Leandro and afterward
bought by Daniel Best, as secretary,
treasurer and bookkeeper.
For years Mr. and Mrs. Gray were
prominent socially, having no children
save an adopted daughter, Pearl, now
Mrs. C. L. Best, with whom he spent his
last days.
Mr. Gray was a cousin of Giles H. and
George D. Gray of Oakland and E. F.
Gray of San Francisco, and Mrs. Shas
Wright.
SEWER BIDS.
At the meeting of the Town Trustees
Monday evening it was voted to re-ad-
vertise for bids on the putting in of the
sewer on Hayward avenue, the Trust-
ees having become satisfied that the bid
of J. Black was not in legal form. At-
tention was called to that point by a com-
peting bidder on the night the bids were
submitted, but on the judgment of the
City Attorney that it was in legal form
Black's bid was accepted, being the low-
est.
LIBRARY TRUSTEES.
Also at the Trustees' meeting Monday
evening the following gentlemen and
dresses were named by President Lynch as
trustees of the San Leandro Free Public
Library and were confirmed by the
Town Trustees: C. H. Miller, M. D. A.
B. Cary, the orchardist, A. A. Rogers of

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THE COSMOPOLITAN
will shortly become the most widely read magazine in America, now that it has passed to the ownership of the most successful publishing house in existence—the Hearst organization. Five hundred thousand copies a month will shortly be required to fill the demand, while within a year it will outrank every other magazine in this country. "The best, no matter what it costs," is the motto of its editors, therefore to Cosmopolitan will be contributed the best, and come first! It will be in Cosmopolitan that you will seek the writers of world-wide reputation; its fiction will be masterpieces of penmanship; its whole contents will set the standard for magazine perfection.

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Cosmopolitan	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.60	Pearson's	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.00
Woman's Home Companion	One Year	\$1.00	All	\$2.60	Review of Reviews	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.00
Harper's Bazar, or Success	One Year	1.00	All	\$3.50	Woman's Home Companion	One Year	\$1.00	All	\$2.00
Pearson's	One Year	1.00	All	\$4.00	Suburban Life	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.00
Woman's Home Companion	One Year	\$1.00	All	\$4.00	American Magazine (Ladies')	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.00
Cosmopolitan	One Year	1.00	All	\$4.00	Woman's Home Companion	One Year	\$1.00	All	\$2.00
Review of Reviews	One Year	1.00	All	\$4.00	Metropolitan	One Year	1.00	All	\$2.00
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the County Clerk's office, Mrs. R. D. Jaynes and Mrs. J. H. Garcia. They will probably not organize until after the holidays.
W. O. W. CHRISTMAS.
The annual children's entertainment given at Christmas time by Cherry Camp, W. O. W., will be held this year on Thursday evening of this week, and the program will be as follows:
Piano solo.....Miss Edith Jones
Recitation.....Miss Ida Gelsenhofer
Song.....Miss Alice Locke
Recitation.....Miss Hazel Menkens
Recitation.....Robert Hoerst
Recitation.....Miss Millie Gelsenhofer
Piano solo.....Miss Gertrude Toftmeyer
Recitation.....George Crabtree
Recitation.....Miss Esther Hoerst
Recitation.....Thomas Sawyer Jr.
Recitation.....Charles Jones Jr.
Piano duet.....Miss Ethel Cunningham
Piano solo.....Miss Olga Best
Following the entertainment there will be a big banquet, distribution of presents and a general good time for old and young, including Christmas games.
POSTOFFICE HOURS.
Postoffice hours will be the same on Christmas and New Year's Day as on Sunday.

DIED AT HOSPITAL.
Mrs. Emma Young, proprietor of a lodging house at the corner of Sixteenth and Telegraph avenue, died yesterday at the Receiving Hos-
pital of a stroke of apoplexy. She was aged 70 years and was a native of Pennsylvania. No relatives, as far as is known, survive her. She was found unconscious yesterday morning in her apartment and was taken to the Receiving Hospital where she died without regaining consciousness.

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YOUTH CHARGED WITH BURGLARY

BREAK OPEN A BOX CAR IN EFFORT TO STEAL RIDE.

POINT RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—Archibald Farley, a young man who claims St. Louis as his abiding place, broke the seal of a box car on Conductor Kelly's train somewhere up the line of the Santa Fe Sunday night and proceeded to secrete himself inside. The car contained merchandise and by breaking the seal thereof Farley is guilty of burglary. He was committed to jail pending his examination with bonds fixed at \$1000. Farley claims to have a wealthy uncle in South Dakota who will come to his relief in his present trouble.

BRIEFLETS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McKenna, of Laton, are here visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Purdy. Mr. McKenna has been a hard-ware merchant of Laton and lately disposed of his business there and may decide to embark in a venture of some sort in this city.

The members of the Pioneer Club should not forget the smoker which is to take place at the club rooms on next Wednesday evening. "Bring along a friend and have a good time," is the edict which Secretary Joe Brooks has issued.

Master Mechanic J. C. Black, of the Oil Refinery, has returned from a protracted visit to Atlantic seaboard cities where he has been purchasing machinery for the Standard Oil Company's new oil factory at Point Molate.

No meeting was held by the Board of Trustees last night. One of the "faithful three" Trustees Babcock, was sick and unable to attend, so there was no quorum.

RAILROAD RATE

QUESTION DISCUSSED

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—The railroad rate question was discussed at length at a meeting of the executive council of the Massachusetts State Board of Trade here yesterday and steps were taken looking toward the calling of a special meeting to consider the matter.

Charles S. Hamlin, of Boston, vice president of the National Board of Trade, dwelt upon the great importance of the railroad rate question to the people of New England, saying that the commercial and industrial future of Boston is vitally related to the question whether the Interstate Commerce Commission should be given the power to fix a minimum as well as a maximum rate. John Zippell declared the fact that Boston had gradually lost the headquarters of the big Western railroads, copper mining companies and telephone companies which it had helped to build up, stating that New York had steadily been stealing all of Boston's "accomplishments."

Harry W. Goddard, of Worcester, speaking as a manufacturer, said that his sympathies in the matter of rate legislation were with the railroads. "Believe," he said, "that the railroads will treat New England better than some political commission will."

HEAR ARGUMENTS;

RESERVE DECISION

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Justice Fitzgerald, in the Supreme Court, yesterday heard argument and reserved decision upon an application made by William B. Hornblower, counsel for William K. Vanderbilt, Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Chauncey M. Dugue and other defendants, directors of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, to strike from the complaint in the suit of Graham F. Blancy, Rose S. Sherman and Henrietta F. Sherman against the directors, certain allegations said to have been recanted and immaterial. The suit is brought to recover \$250,000, alleged to have been wasted by reason of the improvident and unwise sale of \$12,000,000 of bonds of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company by the defendants in 1897.

It is claimed that the directors of the New York Central & Hudson River and New York & Harlem Railroad companies were in most instances the same and that the sale was managed by the directors of both companies, through a syndicate formed among them to profit by the sale of the bonds.

FORTUNE IS LOST IN TRAIN WRECK

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 20.—The Journal says: Besides the loss of life in the Santa Fe train wreck at Lang, Kan., Tuesday, there was about \$5000 in gold and \$3000 in currency and many thousands of dollars worth of jewelry destroyed by the express car attached to the train taking fire. The money was in transit from the National Bank of Commerce in Kansas City to Kansas City. One estimate places the value of the precious stones and gold and silver at \$50,000. Most of the packages contained Christmas presents.

There is no doubt but that it will be fully six months before the entire loss of the express company is known," said D. T. Mervine, local manager of the Wells, Fargo Express Company. "In the safe was the currency and gold, and whatever space remained was filled with packages of jewelry. Our cashiers estimate that there was about \$10,000 in money in the safe. The gold will be redeemed at practically its full value and we are in hopes that the currency will be in a condition to warrant the Treasury Department in redeeming the greater part of it."

VETERAN DIES.

Martin McDonald, native of Scotland, aged 70 years, who served as a private in Company F, 4th Regiment, New York Infantry, died Monday. The funeral will be held from James McMinimus' undertaking parlors, corner Seventh and Castro streets, Thursday at 2 p. m. Appointed Post, G. A. R., of which he was a member, will bury him in the Mountain View Cemetery Soldiers' Plot.

DOES IT PAY

To experiment when Stomach, Liver, Kidneys, or Bowels are weak and call for assistance? A thousand times! Not follow the example of the multitude who have been cured and commenced taking

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PROTEST AGAINST LOWER CLASS INSOLENCE.

EDITOR TRIBUNE:—At a meeting of the club of which I have the honor to be a member, some evenings ago, after we had partaken of a good supper and were enjoying our wine and cigars, the conversation turned upon the subject of the social and political conditions in the Russian empire.

I had as well state here that our club consists of gentlemen of means and leisure and a few bankers and captains of industry.

As I have said, affairs in Russia became the subject of our conversation. The ordinary reader is aware, through information obtained from the daily paper that the constituted authorities of that great empire are sorely pressed in efforts to prevent a general upsurge of the common people, and in fact, revolution seems to threaten.

I have stated that the general public obtain their information mainly through the daily press, but our organization does not depend upon the press for its information. We have in Russia as well as in the capitals of all the other nations of Continental Europe, our own accredited representative, from whom we receive at regular intervals reliable advice as to the political and social status.

In Russia the lower classes of society, the laborers and artisans, have had the audacity to ask, and indeed, in some instances to demand, more privileges of their masters, the nobility and aristocracy. These workingmen appear to have banded themselves together in what they term "unions" and in several instances have refused to perform labor at the command of their masters for the compensation which their masters have seen proper to give them.

These persons have not only presumed to insist that their remuneration be augmented, but have asked and insisted on a reduction of the hours of daily toil. They have even gone so far as to not only threaten to discontinue their services, but have in several cities really done so. This they do in the language of their class, "going on strike."

The outlook is indeed serious, as it threatens to overthrow fixed and established social and political conditions. When servants refuse to yield obedience to their proper masters, conditions have indeed assumed a very serious and alarming aspect. While the army and navy remained loyal to their imperial master, there was nothing to fear, for the loyalty of the army and navy was being adequately provided with firearms, and having no money with which to purchase them, could very easily be forced into subjection or destroyed. But it now appears that a considerable portion of the army has been mutinied, and that there is much disloyalty and insubordination in the army. It is reported that even a squadron of the Cossacks, who for centuries have been the bulwark of the empire, have revolted and fraternized with the populace.

We agreed, and it must appeal to every intelligent gentleman of wealth and social standing, to be true that the cause of Russia is the cause of the world. If the lower classes are successful in their frenzied efforts to overthrow the empire, dethrone their emperor and abolish nobility, the servant classes of other nations will be encouraged to do the same. Our representatives in several of the countries of Continental Europe advise us that these working people are becoming very arrogant. This is especially true of Austria and Italy, and also in Germany. Even in the United States of America, where for the present we have no titled nobility, the lower classes are audaciously asserting what they claim to be their "rights," and repeating with disgusting monotony that ridiculous heresy that "all men are created equal."

All persons, therefore, of respectability, wealth and social standing, naturally and very properly sympathize with the Emperor of Russia and wish him success in his heroic efforts to suppress the rebellious lower classes. It was suggested by some of the more enthusiastic members of the club that we at once take steps toward assisting the Russian government financially. Others argued that as there are many thousands of able bodied men out of employment here in America, and who would gladly accept any position that promised decent food and clothing, that some "light company" should be organized to assist in the relief of the Russian people.

men to send to Russia to assist the Emperor.

These suggestions, however, were not adopted, as it was decided that if matters grow more serious the Emperor of Germany will come to the assistance of his brother Emperor of Russia. With his powerful German army, for the Kaiser well knows that the overthrow of monarchy in Russia means, sooner or later, the same in Germany. It was decided that for the present we continue, as we have been doing in the past, to win the leaders of the rebellious working classes over to the side of conservatism, and as most or all of them are moneyless beggars, we think this can be done very readily, and at comparatively little expense.

To prevent repetition of the horrifying scenes that were enacted in France a century ago, the preposterous ambitions of the lower or working classes in distracted Russia should be promptly and vigorously suppressed. The respectable people of all countries, the ruling class, are vitally interested, as the disease is contagious, and if they should be successful in overthrowing the powers that be in one country, it will spread and soon the working classes of this fair republic will be clamoring for more "privileges." Your faithfully,
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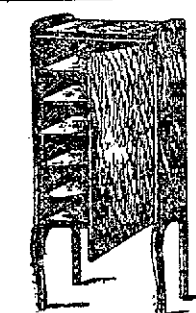
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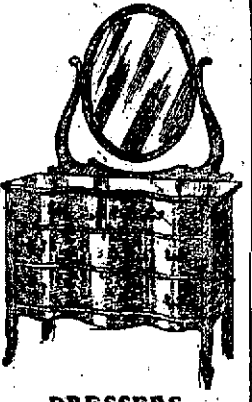
Music Cabinet
Of rich mahogany, finished with canopy top surrounding a large plate mirror. A. J. hand-painted. Price **\$16.50**



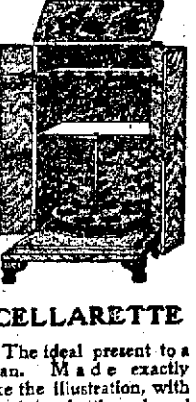
Music Cabinet
Our flyer for the week. Mahogany finished, nicely polished. Looks like a \$40.00 value. Price **\$25.75**



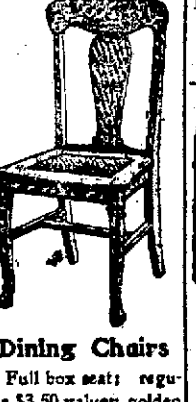
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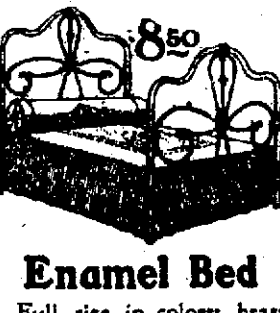
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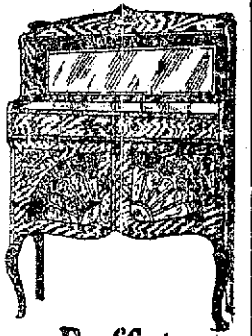
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Prices from \$14 to \$100. This one in golden oak, with stained glass front, price **\$35**

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Axminster Rugs Piano or folding door size, 27x63 inches. A beautiful high-pile parlor rug in delicate two-tone colorings and Oriental and floral designs. Regular \$3.75 values. Special this week **\$2.25**

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Tapestry Brussels \$1.20 per yard value. Scores of patterns to choose from. A wonderful display. This week, for the shrewd buyer, per yard, sewed and laid **90c**

Linoleums Made of the best pulverized cork and linseed oil. Two yards wide. A good assortment of patterns regular 75c and 80c values this week, not laid, **55c**

DEARTH OF SPIRIT
In the Churchly Christmas Doings.

HAYWARD, Dec. 19.—So dramatic and popular have been the numerous and other social doings in Hayward the past few months, that there seems to be a likelihood of much in that line for Christmas. The Methodist Church folk will give the usual style of Christmas entertainment, and it is now understood that the Presbyterian people will go out to the infirmary to make Christmas a little brighter for those there, but dates have not yet been set for Christmas exercises by Congregationalists or Episcopalians, though undoubtedly something in that line will be done.

At San Lorenzo the Sunday school children, under the lead of George Edgar, Miss Elsie Smyth, Mrs. C. S. King and others, will give Christmas exercises in the church at the usual hour for preaching, Sunday, Dec. 24.

PERSONAL.
Dr. D. J. Gilliland is now with Dr. Carmichael, in Eureka.
Miss Anna Obermuller is with Mrs. Lumwald, at Klamath Falls, Oregon, until February.
Joseph Ramos is back from Oroville, improved in health.
Mrs. Mary Green of Valiso has removed to Hayward, and will open a business soon.
A. E. Fischer has returned from Chico.

IMPROVEMENTS.
The Town Trustees have bought 1000 feet of new fire hose.
N. S. G. W. Hall is to be thoroughly renovated inside—re-plastered, repapered and replastered where needed.
A GIRL'S LETTER.

It may interest some of the little friends of Martha Gnon Yee, the 10-year-old American-Chinese girl who recently left Hayward with her brother for a new home in China, to know that she has arrived safely at Honolulu. From there she writes her mother in Hayward:

"Dear Mama, Brothers and Sisters: Now I will begin my story. We are now in Honolulu. It is very nice here, and the steamer is going to have six hours rest, as it has been going all the time. I was sea sick for two days; some Chinamen are sea sick yet. I would like to know how you all are. I miss Mama and May Lon so much. You go ('go' brother) is all right. It is nice to go on deck. It is nice and cool. Mama, Miss Clemons said that Der Gim Saig went home to China on this steamer, the Monticola. It is a big steamer, and holds lots of Chinamen and Japs. Ogo go, this looks like city, all right. How are you getting along with the work? I wish I could help you. There is no work here for us to do, but sleep and read, and I don't like it. There are about 40 Law Yees on this steamer. I paid half fare on the steamer. I have no more to say so I remain your loving daughter and sister, 'YEE ME GNON.'"
"P. S. Please do not write till I write a longer letter. Tell May Lon to be a good girl."

BOOK FOR SENIORS
Record Left for University Class.

BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—The "Senior Record Book," a large specially bound book of over five hundred pages, which was made especially for the class of 1905, and left by them as a gift to the senior classes of the future for the purpose of keeping a copy of the minutes of each senior class as a part of the permanent University records, has been placed on file in the University Library. The book contains, besides the records of the class of 1905, a complete financial statement of the senior weeks of the classes of 1904-05. The book is to be kept in the University Library, and can only be taken from it by the secretary of the senior class. In addition to the Record Book, the 1905 Scrap Book has also been deposited in the library. This book contains all of the correspondence of the class relating to the members who took part in the festivities of Senior Week, and were excused from examinations, all of the bills, canceled checks, and papers relating to the class, which would be of value to succeeding classes in their preparations for Senior Week.

AT THE NOVELTY.
The Novelty Theater lobby was much admired last night. It is the prettiest Christmas decoration on Broadway. The show on the inside of the theater pleased the large audience. Charles Hays' friends gave him a big reception. Charles has not only a good voice, but a fine stage presence. He sang "In Dear Old California's Sunny Dell," by that well-known song writer and author, Charles E. Royce. Brachard, a contortionist, is great, and does his act in such a refined manner. Miss Gardiner offers a refined singing number. Nellie Nichols, the charming little southerner, is back again and brings with her this time four singing and dancing girls. Ben Tun, the old-time colored comedian, is just as funny as ever. The chicks are the hold-overs of the bill and do a singing and talking act. The two rolls of moving pictures are both new and bring forth many favorable comments. Toy matinees are to be given every afternoon this week, and presents are given to every child attending. The regular souvenir matinee will be given Friday, when a beautiful Christmas souvenir will fall to the lot of the ladies.

Dear Mother
Your little ones are a constant care in Fall and Winter weather. They will catch cold. Do you know about Shiloh's Consumption Cure, the Lung Tonic, and what it has done for so many? It is said to be the only reliable remedy for all diseases of the air passages in children. It is absolutely harmless and pleasant to take. It is guaranteed to cure or your money is returned. The price is 25c per bottle, and all dealers in medicine sell.

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BERKELEY, Dec. 20.—The Southern Pacific Company has taken the initiative in the matter of placing flagmen at the crossings, as provided for in the recent ordinance passed by the Town Board of Trustees. Their action is commended by the citizens of East and South Berkeley, and it is expected that the Key Route will shortly follow the example and meet the requirements of the new ordinance.

At an early hour yesterday a flagman was stationed at the dangerous intersection of Shattuck avenue and Center street, where so many accidents and fatalities have occurred. At the same time another flagman was placed at the corner of Shattuck and Alcatraz avenues, in South Berkeley.

Townpeople in both sections of the town are watching the working of the new safeguards, and feel confident that there will be less danger to pedestrians and vehicles than heretofore.

WILLING TO MARRY
GIRL HE WRONGED

Steve Simone was held to answer to a charge of having misled Louise Cabrell, a young Alameda girl, under promise of marriage, yesterday by Justice Court. And shortly afterwards Attorney H. A. Krouse applied to Judge T. W. Harris for a writ of review in the matter. Judge Harris decided that the writ would only go to a review of the proceedings rather than to the evidence itself which Krouse said was not sufficient on the ground that his client had been held on the unsupported testimony of the girl herself, and upon this theory Judge Harris denied the writ and told Krouse that his course would be to sue out a writ of habeas corpus.

Deputy District Attorney Hines represented the people in the matter, who contended that under the laws of this state in such a case no corroborative testimony was needed after having proved the character of the girl prior to her meeting with Simone. Deputy Hines in talking about the matter stated that after being placed in jail Simone sent to the girl and asked her if she would marry him, and this phase of the case, if carried out, may alter the entire aspect of it as she would not then be able to give testimony against him.

JACK LONDON'S
SISTER DIVORCED

A final decree of divorce was granted Ida Miller, sister of Jack London, from Frank H. Miller on the ground of desertion yesterday by Judge W. H. Waste. She was also allowed to resume her maiden name of London. She was married about twelve years ago when she was but eighteen to Miller, who was then forty-three and a few years later she stated that her

her without warning. They have no children.

Margaret J. Dilley was granted a final decree of divorce from Richard G. Dilley this morning for desertion. He was a gardener by occupation but she says he got so that he would not work and finally he left her.

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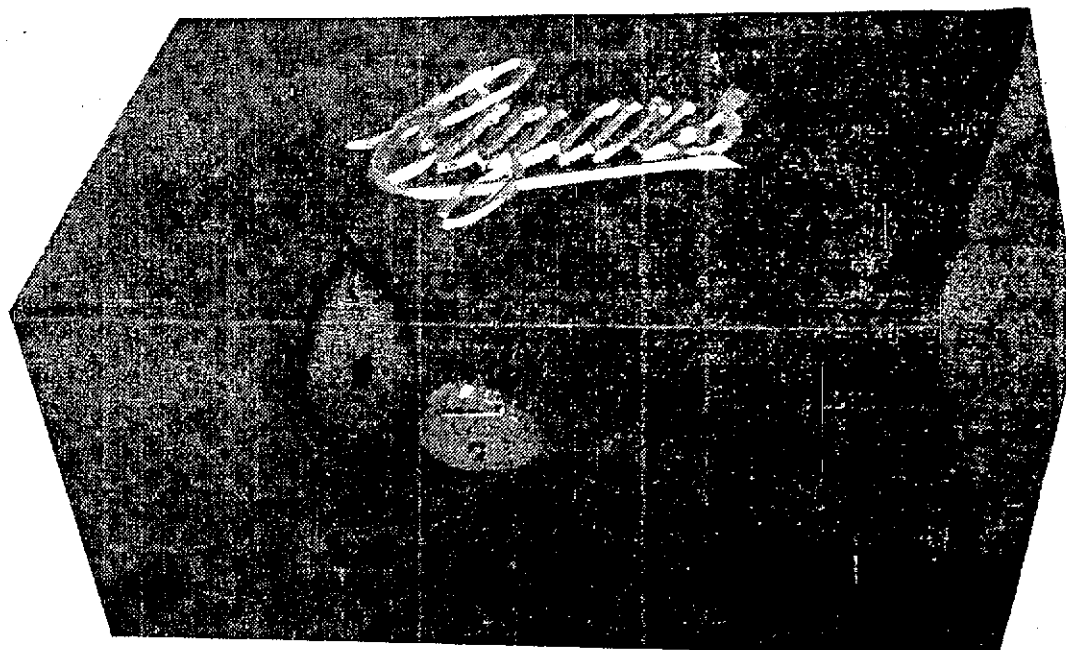
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MEN CONVICTS SAVE LIVES OF WOMEN PRISONERS

Released From Cells, They Show
Sense of Manhood by Rescuing
Frantic Females.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Men forgot that they were convicts and remembered only that they were men on Blackwell's Island early this morning when the male prisoners, marshaled by their keepers into a fire-fighting and life-saving corps, bore from the flaming floors of the women's wards five hundred and ninety-four frantic women, and from the hospital beds fifty more.

Starting in the sewing room of the work house and from a cause which has not yet been definitely decided, the fire had reached a fierce blaze at 3 o'clock, when it was discovered. The fire engine on the island proved inadequate and a call for help was sent to the city department. Seven engines were sent over, but were not sufficient to save the women's workhouse from destruction.

On the top floor of this building were cells for the women, and every one held one or two prisoners when the fire occurred. These women became frantic with fright and were soon choking with the dense smoke that filled all the halls and their cells.

That most of them did not perish is due to their recent installation of a system by which in emergencies every cell in a tier can be opened simultaneously with all the others.

When the extent and danger of the blaze became apparent, the women marshaled his regular fire-fighting force of employees and soon all were at work.

The flames spread so fast, however, that this force proved hopelessly inadequate. Then it was decided to trust to the male prisoners' sense of manhood and they bore the test well.

Released from their cells and marshaled into small bodies they entered the burning building and went at the work of fire-fighting and rescue with utter disregard of the danger to themselves. The flames were crackling all about them and they plunged through the densest smoke when they brought out in their arms the last of the women prisoners.

The fire bells and the shouts of the

men at work could be heard all over the island, and in the hospitals and buildings of the other institutions, there was a panic which was quieted with difficulty by the nurses, physicians and keepers.

The fire was confined to the women's workhouse.

Although only a part of the convicts were used in rescuing the women, those who remained locked in their cells made frantic appeals to be allowed to help.

As the screams of the women penetrated to their cells some of the convicts fell upon their knees, beseeching the guards to let them out to fight the fire.

When refused they begged that at least the guards go to the rescue, promising they would be their own jailers.

The fire lasted over two hours and consumed all the women's prison, the hospital and half of the workhouse, lighting up the shores of Long Island and the shipping in the East river, and gilding the tall buildings on the New York side of the river.

The workhouse in the house, being fifty years old, burned almost like paper.

The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

MUSEUM FOR YALE.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 20.—Yale is to have a commercial museum. This announcement was made last night following the arrival of a shipment of valuable plant and textile collections from the Department of Agriculture.

The shipment, which filled two cars, includes the important exhibits of the government at the Portland Exposition, besides additional gifts from the Department of Agriculture and the Canadian Pacific Railroad. Among them are the Alaskan, Porto Rican and Hawaiian collections shown at Portland, which are almost invaluable, and cases of material showing plant breeding, drugs, poisonous plants and products, illustrations of plant introduction, fibres and grass and forage plant seeds.

The museum is to be used in the course of Commercial Geography. The collections were received through the interest taken in the Yale Museum by Secretary Wilson and others.

SEES NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

RUSSIAN MINISTER OF FINANCE
DECLARES TREASURY IS
SAFE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Herald cables an interview secured last Saturday with M. Shipoff, Minister of Finance, who was asked as to the extent to which the government suffered by reason of the political agitation, and particularly the recent proclamat manifesto in which the bankruptcy of the government was trumpeted.

"I do not seek to conceal the fact," the Minister said, "that the movement had made itself felt among us. Coming on the head of our recent war, it could not be otherwise. But don't think for a moment that we experience any alarm or anxiety."

"How often have you seen a young and sturdy organism prostrated by illness which has been insidiously creeping on? Have you not often noticed how an ill man, aided by a robust constitution, throws off malady and, after convalescence, emerges from the sick room stronger and more capable than ever?"

"That is the position of Russia just now. The illness is in no way fatal, nor will the convalescence be interrupted. I cannot say exactly when the patient will be able to get out of doors, but, rest assured, he will not do. The medical attendants are absolutely sure of that."

"The revolutionary party has been trying to make capital out of the alleged impending bankruptcy of the government, but it is going too far to apply the word bankruptcy to the government of a great country like Russia."

"I authorize you to state positively that the Russian treasury is in no difficulty, nor do we foresee any possibility of financial trouble."

"The revolutionists make a strong point of having touched a weak spot by endeavoring to bring about a general boycott of vodka. That is another of their random statements. To show you how unfounded it is, just look here."

"Orenin's portfolio, the Minister pulled out a document showing the result to the treasury of the spirit monopoly for the period from January 1, to October 30, 1905. Actual income from that source exceeded by more than \$5,000,000 the amount estimated in the budget for 1905."

"Now you can judge," continued M. Shipoff, "how wild is the assertion of our opponents."

"Great uneasiness prevails abroad among commercial circles interested in Russian business," was suggested.

"That, unfortunately, is only too true," replied the Minister, "and no doubt it will take time to dispel the mistrust, but you will see that confidence will speedily be restored."

CARMEN DEFEAT PLAN

DO NOT WANT TO PAY FOR ANY
BENEFIT PROPOSITION.

By a vote of 430 to 391 the proposition submitted by the Board of Directors of the Oakland Traction Club to the employees of the Oakland Traction Consolidated and of the San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose Railway, members of the club, which provided for the establishment of a benefit association, was defeated yesterday. The proposition was submitted to the employees yesterday morning, when the voting booths were opened at all the car houses, at the shops, the Key Route pier and the office of the Traction Club. The polls remained open all day, and the fifteen hundred employees of the two companies were all afforded an opportunity to vote. Of this number 321 voted, being approximately fifty-five per cent of the total number.

It was proposed to establish a relief and hospital fund for the benefit of all the employees of the two companies, which was to be raised by the monthly assessment of each employee to the amount of 50 cents. This amount was to be deducted each month from the salary of each employee and turned into the club treasury. It was planned that this amount would be sufficient to provide medical attendance and care at either of two first-class hospitals, for employees incapacitated from work by accident or illness; free use, and all the privileges of the club (bowling, library and pool tables, and the reading room, where the best reading matter would be found on file; an assistant to the instructor in the International Correspondence School, with which many of the employees are struggling. Competent instructors in important branches can be secured at a small cost, to give lessons to those who desire the personal contact of teachers and pupils in studies like arithmetic and music. It is necessary to success in these undertakings. Day and evening classes will be held for those who find arithmetic "the block."

It was also proposed to provide many new and needed things for the comfort and convenience of the club members, and "Trolley Talk" was sent to each member every month free of charge.

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Mass meetings of the employees were held at the club rooms on Friday and Monday and the plan was thoroughly explained and discussed. All the employees were urged to vote and all were urged to support the proposition, but evidently a majority of the carmen thought that the proposition was not a vital one, as 430

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Upon entering the handsome entrance of this well appointed store, the eye is greeted with a profusion of lights through the tinted windows, lend an air of splendor and refinement.

Mr. Mackay has shown unusual taste in the remodeling of his handsome show windows. These have lately been finished in mahogany with soft azure coloring, interspersing the panels, making harmonious effects.

It is a credit to the city of Oakland to say that the high class of furniture which this house has always been so amply stocked with is appreciated.

MRS. MARK HANNA IS ARRESTED

CAPTURED AFTER CHASE FOR
VIOLATING AUTOMOBILE
ORDINANCE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—An automobile in which Mrs. Mark Hanna, the widow of the late Senator, was riding in company with a young woman, was stopped by Bicycle Policeman Hickey of the West 162d street station late yesterday afternoon after a long chase.

Hickey ordered William Hayes, the driver, to go to the Harlem Police Court. When they arrived there the court had adjourned and the sitting magistrate had gone. Then Hickey obliged Hayes to take the machine to the station house. There Mrs. Hanna gave \$100 cash bail for her driver.

Mrs. Hanna complained bitterly of the arrest. She said the automobile had not been exceeding the speed limit. She also complained of the futile five mile excursion to the court.

Hickey said the car was going thirty miles an hour. He said he chased it along Riverside drive from 170th street to 180th street.

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OTHER CHICAGO BANKS ARE SAFE

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Other banks and financial circles in general in Chicago cannot possibly feel any bad effects from



NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Major Montgomery M. Macomb, of the Artillery, the last American officer to leave the staff of the Russian army in Manchuria, and who arrived last evening from Southampton, said that he had left the army in October, and that at that time the discipline was excellent. "Political agitators had not then begun their work of creating dissatisfaction."

The Major said that he regarded the terms of peace granted by the Japanese to the Russians as very generous. "The Russians were not in the situation of the French when the Germans demanded big indemnity. The conditions were essentially different."

The Japanese had not invaded what could be properly called Russian territory, and they did not by any means have the Russians at their mercy. The Russian army was getting better all the time, even under its successive defeats. Never once had the Russians been surrounded by the Japanese. Its retreats had been masterly. If the war had been continued much longer both sides would have found their resources nearly exhausted. It was a good stroke of diplomacy for the Japanese to end it in a manner so satisfactory to themselves.

The Major said the Russian soldier was brave and obedient. He had had a good chance to find out, as he has with the Russian army from the beginning to the end of the conflict.

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